

BRIEF NEWS NOTES OF HAPPENINGS IN NORTHEND TOWNS

What Your Neighbors Have Been Doing During the Past Week.

Interesting Events in This Part of San Mateo County Reviewed in Terse Paragraphs.

Mrs. John Cairns is quite ill with la grippe.

Mrs. W. Collins and family have returned from Sunnyvale.

Mildred White spent her Christmas with friends across the bay.

Cow and Two Goats for Sale.—Apply to Geo. Nick, 139 Hillcrest Drive.

L. Penbrook and wife of Napa spent Christmas with Mrs. W. J. White.

Mrs. Ira Leslie of Oroville spent Christmas with Mrs. Jess Redding.

Miss Odette Cooper is visiting Miss Lilla Harris, at 147 Santa Ana Ave.

The infant child of Mrs. Carroll Anderson, died Tuesday of pneumonia.

The Supervisors meet next Tuesday, January 3, Monday being a holiday.

Mrs. Ida Ballinger of Sacramento is visiting her mother, Mrs. Thos. Hurd.

Mrs. Mary Probert, who recently underwent an operation, is improving nicely.

Chickens and Geese for Sale.—Apply to H. Strum, 530 Mission Road, Vista Grande.

Miss Eva Redding is suffering with a very sore foot, caused by stepping on a nail.

Protect yourselves and your interests in every way by boosting Incorporation.

Gust Johnson and family are being visited by his mother and sister from Meadville, Mo.

The life of Frank Barsotti presented him with a fine Christmas gift, a baby girl.

Colma Circle will give a Grand Masque Carnival at Colma Hall, Saturday evening, January 21st.

Ernest, the 6-year-old child of Jess Redding, fell from his new Santa Claus coaster Monday and broke his right arm.

The Chatham-Mansfield contest will be decided to-day. The Alman and Carroll cases are also expected to be settled.

Harry Lambert of Los Angeles arrived on the S. S. Yale Saturday on a visit to his parents, Mrs. and C. P. Lambert.

Hillcrest Poultry Yard—143 San Gabriel ave. For sale, Ducks, Geese and Broilers, 25 cents and up. James A. McAdoo. 37-39*

Willie Passaglia has a new blacksmith helper—a big bouncing baby boy that arrived last week. Mother and baby doing well.

El Carmelo Parlor, 181, N. D. G. W., will give their first grand anniversary ball at Colma Hall, Saturday evening, February 25, 1911.

The Crocker Tract Improvement Club will hold its annual election Monday evening, January 9th. All members are requested to be present.

The Record is printing a nice order this week for the A. L. Stockton Lumber Co., including 10,000 lumber bills on sheepskin parchment, in pads of 100 each.

A few of the Record's friends are behind with their subscription account. Please attend to this, as the amounts due will come in quite handy just at the present time.

The Socialist Junior League meets every Sunday at Knowles Hall, 3 p. m. The League is instructive, refined and of special interest to children. Everybody welcome.

Those who want to avoid the noise and crush of the New Year's Carnival, should visit the Grand Masque Ball given at Knowles Hall by C. A. Kirkpatrick, Saturday evening, Dec. 31.*

The Record job printing department is quite busy at present. First-class work and guaranteed to be right, are points that are appreciated by live people even if it does cost a few cents more than some city scab shop will do it for.

A grand masque ball will be given by the Vista Grande Volunteer Fire Department, Co. No. 1, at Knowles' Hall, Saturday evening, January 21, 1911. Union music. Tickets, 50 cents. Ladies free.

The Civic Betterment League will hold its annual election of officers next Tuesday evening, January 3, 1911. All members should attend. Other important business with reference to changing by-laws will be transacted.

Judge Ellis C. Johnson's new court room, next to the Vista Grande post-office, is complete and ready for his occupancy. It will be a great convenience to the people on the hill to have a justice of the peace so handy.

Chas. P. Lambert, the monumental worker, is an expert at his profession and makes a specialty of letter-cutting on monuments in cemeteries—gilded if desired. Shop and residence near Mt. Olivet and the Italian cemeteries.*

Dr. Rowland is now comfortably settled in his most convenient new quarters, 15 Wellington avenue, Crocker Tract. His new arrangements afford him the convenience of a nurse. His hours are from 2 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m. Phone, day or night, Mission 4978. *

Ocean View Furniture Company, 2926 San Jose Avenue, Ocean View.—The Best Credit System on the Pacific Coast. Leave your patronage in your own town and trade where you are sure of honest treatment and a fair, square deal. Furniture of all kinds bought and sold. J. J. Payne, Manager. Phone Mission 7897.

Hon. Franklin Swart, District Attorney elect, returned home Christmas Eve from his trip to Indiana and was here Wednesday evening shaking hands with many of his friends. "Glad to get back?"—well, this seems mighty good to me, compared to the bitter cold winter weather I experienced in Indiana with two feet of snow," says Sir Franklin, "but I greatly enjoyed the ice skating and sleigh rides."

Some time Tuesday night burglars broke into Reski & Tiedeman's saloon (Colma Hall) and secured the contents of the slot machines and cash register, amounting to about \$36. The safe door had been left open and they forced an entrance into the lower compartment but secured nothing. Fortunately they did not molest the safe deposit drawers in the safe, two of which contained about \$2,700.

Jim Casey's new market at Colma is certainly a model in every particular and superior to any other market in San Mateo county. Every convenience has been looked after and the coolers are of the most improved design. Besides the stock of first-class, Government inspected meats, there is a department added of fruits and vegetables, so that the good people of Colma have all the advantages of a first-class city marketing place.

Through the kindness of Mrs. Natina Flaherty, the Record is informed just before send the "copy" to the machines, of the complete success of the Socialist Christmas tree Wednesday evening at Ryan's Hall. The crowd was far greater than was expected and the financial receipts were correspondingly large. Particular mention is desired of Mrs. M. E. Johnson, George Nick, Scottis Co., and H. H. Smith for contributions and Mr. Ryan for the free use of the hall, and others who kindly donated cakes and rendered willing assistance.

At last the Colma Lighting District contract is signed, the result no doubt of the Record's persistent efforts to compel the Light and Power Co. to come down from their (the-public-be-damned) perch, and make the contract conform to the requirements of the law, thus enabling the Supervisors to enter into the agreement. It is now stated (as was stated months ago) that the Light Co. has ordered the material from the East and that the lighting system will be installed as soon as possible. Probably next summer some time when the lights will not be needed. Or, possibly not at all, if the California Legislature will enact "Russian laws to suppress the Record."

Incorporation Boundry Line.

The boundary lines approximately include Vista Grande, Mission, Hillcrest and Crocker tracts, extending from the San Francisco line south to School and Price streets, and from the boulevard on the west to the summit of the hills. The population is estimated to be 2900 and the incorporation will therefore be that of a sixth class city, and at that, will be the second town in size in San Mateo county.

DAILY CITY INCORPORATION

Many Important Reasons Why We Should Be
Incorporated---Prof. Savage Wants
Colma Included---Project
Gaining Friends.

TO BE A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The proposition of Incorporation is the principal theme of conversation as it should be. That the sentiment is growing stronger in favor of Incorporation, there can be no doubt, for every day the people are made to realize its necessity in one way or another.

The attitude of the South S. F. Power and Light Co., for instance, in wishing "Russian laws to suppress the Record," because the paper guards the people's interests. Such corporations will find that they have something to deal with when we are incorporated, for then if they refuse to be good dogs, there will be a way provided to rid ourselves of their iniquitous power, for light companies and such water companies as that of Hillcrest, can be curbed in their hellish greed. Do we need Incorporation?—Ye gods! do we need breath; do we need food; do we need any of the blessings of life?

By South San Francisco's experience we learn that neither taxes or saloon licenses will be increased. Because that revenue will remain right here and not go for the support of other portions of the county. Besides, there will be many other sources of revenue here that are not in South City, so that there is no doubt but that we could conduct our affairs in an economical and business-like way, and receive benefits that can never be ours under our present dependence upon the county for what we need.

All that is necessary is for the people to think. Study well your interests; be fair and broad-minded, and you cannot fail to see wherein you will gain with Incorporation. Be mindful of the present; of the future; of your children and yourself. Be progressive—that's all!

Quite an interesting and argumentative article appeared in the last issue of the Redwood City Democrat from the pen of Prof. W. J. Savage, urging that Colma be included in the incorporation. That was considered by the committee and the lines suggested by Prof. Savage would most likely have been adopted, had there not developed an antagonism that the committee did not care to contend with. The Record has always been of the opinion that Colma should be included, believing that it would be for the general good and particularly advantageous to Colma, but the action of the committee seems good judgment under the circumstances.

The success of Incorporation is the vital question now. When that is accomplished, then if the people of Colma desire it, and the Record really believes it would be to their interest, that territory can be annexed. No question but that the city of San Francisco will be extended to the cemeteries in the very near future, and the incorporation of Daly City will greatly hasten the day, so it seems, as Prof. Savage suggests, wise judgment for the people of Colma to be united with the new municipality, for in union there is greater strength. One incidental advantage would be, the extension of the 5-cent car limit to the cemeteries. This of itself would be of great advantage to Colma by causing the values of property to greatly increase.

Family Estate Mix-up.

Stockton.—Probably one of the most peculiar will contests ever brought to the attention of a court is being heard by Judge Plummer of the Superior Court. Mrs. Undine Hogan, are on one side, and Mrs. Sarah McDermott and her ten-year-old daughter, Genevieve, who the mother claims was acknowledged by Grigsby as his child, are on the other. Mrs. Grigsby admits her husband left her fourteen years ago while they were living in San Francisco, when another woman appeared on the scene and won the affections of her husband. The alleged widow says Grigsby was threatened by a woman he was living with and thus he left his estate to her.

"A Hint to the Wise."

Seattle.—A bundle containing five sticks of blasting powder was found on the steps of the First Methodist Episcopal church. The pastor of the church, Rev. Adna Leonard, formerly pastor of the Methodist church in Rome, has been active in exposing the alleged corruption of the city government and had recently received letters warning him to desist.

Seventy-nine Cases Dismissed.

Los Angeles.—Cases against seventy-nine men charged with violating the Los Angeles anti-picketing ordinance will not come to trial. The cases were dismissed by Police Judge Frederickson, at the instance of Assistant Prosecutor Sidney Reeve, because many of the witnesses the city had intended to call have left the city.

High Voltage Wire Responsible.

Los Angeles.—Walter Strong, 19 years old, was killed by a high voltage wire in a power house where he was working. The shock threw him against a dynamo and the flames originated by the short circuit burned all the clothing from his body.

Mrs. Martin in Oakland Court.

After being out for nine hours, the jury trying Mrs. Isabella Martin of Oakland on the charge of dynamiting the house of Superior Judge Frank Ogden in March, 1907, returned a verdict of guilty last night.

Mrs. Martin made no demonstration when the jury filed into court at 11:10 p. m. and the foreman announced the verdict. "It's not a very cheerful Christmas gift," she remarked as she was being led back to her cell. The jury recommended Mrs. Martin to the extreme mercy of the court. Superior Judge W. S. Wells announced that he would pass sentence Wednesday at 9:30 a. m.

Quaint Old Character Dead.

San Francisco.—The estate of Susanah Moore, the quaint character of Cow Hollow, believed poor and destitute, was finally disposed of by Superior Judge Graham when Margaret Kane and Mary Heubner, of New York, two neices, both in meager circumstances, were given \$65,000. Thus the last chapter in the eventful life of this remarkable woman is closed.

Cities of Rapid Growth.

Bakersfield.—Figures have been compiled by the Bakersfield Californian which show that the growth of Bakersfield in the last year has been greater than that of any city in the state of twice its size, the number and cost of its dwelling houses almost double that of Pasadena, Stockton, San Jose or Fresno.

Gift of \$10,000,000.

Chicago.—John D. Rockefeller has completed the task he set for himself in founding the University of Chicago. Public announcement has been made of a "single and final" gift of \$10,000,000, which includes all the contributions Rockefeller had planned.

STRUCTURAL IRON WORKER KILLED BY BLOW OF HAMMER

Whole Crew of Daring Workmen Unnerved by Strange Accident.

Oakland.—While holding a rivet cutter on the structural steel ten stories above the ground on the Realty Syndicate building in this city, soon after going to work last Thursday morning, William J. Fogarty, a steel worker, was struck with a sledge hammer on the base of the skull and dropped dead, his neck broken and his skull fractured.

The hammer was in the hands of Martin McGee, a fellow-workman, and according to the claim of the man, who is under arrest on a technical charge of manslaughter, Fogarty met his death from a blow, poorly directed, glancing from a steel pillar, and so striking him. The body was carried down the long ladder to the ground and doctors pronounced life extinct.

The accident is a strange one. The two men were standing on a narrow stringer on the top floor of the big building at work cutting rivets from a pillar. They were alone, and by some peculiar coincidence, Fogarty, standing on this narrow ribbon of steel, fell lying across it, and was saved from the long drop down ten stories.

Infamous Hillcrest Water Co.

'Tis an infamous outrage the way the people of the Hillcrest tract are treated by the Water Co., and if a good dose of tar and feathers were employed no decent person would object very much. There are no meters or individual cut-offs, and when one subscriber gets behind in the payments, all the water is shut off, thus depriving those who do pay from receiving the benefits due them. The main on Santa Anna avenue had been shut off four days last week, and on Sunday several men took the bull by the horns and turned the water on. For this, the water of the entire tract was shut off on Monday and has not been turned on since. With Incorporation such villainous companies could be made to act decent. But now—where am dat tar bucket?

Aero Club in San Jose.

San Jose.—With W. R. Lawson, manager of the San Jose Railroads, as temporary president and K. F. Magnuson as temporary secretary, a campaign for the permanent organization of an aero club in this city, modeled after those in Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco and other California cities, is being waged, and it is stated that there will be a large attendance when the permanent organization is effected. It is planned to aid aviation by holding meetings and inducing the establishment of factories for building aeroplanes and dirigible balloons here. The membership already includes several men engaged in aviation as a business.

Acetylene Gas Explosion.

Dunsmuir.—W. S. McCartney was blown fifteen feet into the air from a locomotive and landed on the ground with fatal injuries as a result of an explosion of an acetylene gas tank he was ordered to repair. He approached the gas tank with a lighted torch, which ignited the escaping gas. McCartney, who was almost over the tank was blown fifteen feet into the air and fell to the floor of the roundhouse.

Wire Fence Decapitates.

Hanford.—Aaron L. Dicks, a middle-aged farmer, who came here recently from Oregon, was almost decapitated when he was thrown from a hay wagon, struck on a barbed-wire fence and was dragged several feet by a runaway team. Both his windpipe and jugular vein were severed, causing instant death.

American Mule Preferred.

Washington.—In South Africa the American mule is considered superior to the animals imported from Argentina, according to consul reports. The Missouri or Kentucky mule is the best suited for South Africa. The price paid is slightly less than \$250.

Scalded by Molten Asphalt.

Hollister.—Jack Raymond of San Jose, employed on a new building here, was badly scalded when he stumbled and fell while carrying a bucketful of molten asphalt. One hand and arm was seriously burned.

DOINGS OF OUR LAWMAKERS IN WASHINGTON

Insurgents Declare Against House Rule Delaying Bills Indefinitely.

President Taft Eliminates Much Good Agricultural Land From the National Forest.

Washington.—Further revision of the rules of the House of Representatives is contemplated by the insurgent members. Conferences were held to determine the form of the amendments that are to be offered. The insurgents are not satisfied with the manner in which the new rule, giving the House power to discharge a committee from the consideration of a bill, was administered. This rule was procured after a hard fight last season to provide the means whereby a bill could be brought before the House when a committee refused to report it, or delayed too long in acting upon it. Speaker Cannon ruled that the postal reorganization bill should be read in full when the motion was made to bring it before the House. Less than one-fourth of the bill could be read in one day and it will take three more days to finish the reading. As this business is recognized only every first and third Monday of the month, all motions of a like character will be delayed almost two months before the motion finally is put to the House, as to whether the postal bill shall be considered. The insurgents declare this is a restraint of business which can be easily remedied by a small change in the rule. They propose to offer another amendment that will require only the reading of the title of the bill when the motion is made to discharge the committee and to bring it before the House. Further than this, the insurgents propose another amendment to limit the debate that can be had on bills on the calendar. They think too much time is given to unimportant measures and that business will be greatly expedited if such an amendment is offered. It has not been determined what members shall introduce the new amendments, but the insurgent Republicans are practically united on their plans. They do not anticipate a fight in having these changes made.

Democrats who have been advocating pro-oleomargarine legislation expect to bring about the passage of some general measure along that line at the next Congress, when their party will be in control. The tax on oleomargarine now is 10 cents if colored and one-quarter of 1 cent if uncolored.

Mexico has given her consent for the construction by the United States of a levy in Mexican territory to control the waters of the Colorado river for the protection of Imperial valley, California. Congress at its last session appropriated \$1,000,000 for this purpose.

The placing of a ban on importations of citrus fruits, potatoes, fruit shrubs, etc., through legislation imposing restrictions on such articles, will be reported to the House by the committee on agriculture soon after the holiday recess, according to present plans. The committee has already authorized a favorable report on the pending bill for the purpose. The idea is to safeguard the country against the extension of the ravages of pests.

Back in the earlier Congresses there were comparatively few measures presented, but with the extension of the sway of the American flag to various insular possessions, and with the host of river and harbor and public building developments, with pet projects for a multitude of streams, almost never before heard of, the bulk of bills and resolutions has been increasing rapidly.

President Taft has signed proclamations eliminating from national forests in California, Colorado and Wyoming 248,068 acres as being chiefly valuable for agricultural and has added to the forests 79,533 acres. The changes made in California forests were: Cleveland forest, eliminated 22,978 acres, added 2712 acres; Shasta forest, eliminated 167,608 acres, added 26,787 acres; Trinity forest, eliminated 33,575 acres, added 50,034 acres. There were transferred from the Shasta to the Trinity forest 30,227 acres.

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EACH TO HIS OWN PURSUIT

Disposition to Deprecate What Is Not Ours Shows Deficiency in Appreciation.

The disposition to depreciate what is not ours is often shown with regard to pursuits in life. It is right and best that each person should follow some special occupation, in which he should strive for excellence. It is not supposable that he can know as much, or be equally interested in, any other pursuit. But, for this very reason, it is incumbent upon him to be modest and unassuming, willing to observe and ready to accord respect to that which is plainly out of his power to perform. On the contrary, how frequently are such accusations made the subjects of contemptuous remarks and slighting allusions! There are professional men who look down upon business as a mere money-making affair, and business men who look down upon the professions as offering no sure road to wealth. There are philosophers who despise the practical walks of life, and practical men who have nothing but contempt to give to philosophy. There are scientific men dealing only with established facts, who can accord no respect to ideas, and idealists who have no patience with the tangible details of science. There are men carrying the burdens of state who sneer at poetry, and poets who disdain all knowledge of politics. What does all this prove? Not certainly any superiority in one or the other, but a deficiency in the power of appreciation—not any peculiar depth in one direction, but a decided narrowness in another.

KNOWS FAMILY AS IT IS

Takes Servant Girl to Be Really Intimate With Members of Household.

Sometimes I feel as if no other folks on earth had quite as good a chance to know all the kinds of people on it as servant girls. Maybe policemen do—they're always going into unexpected places, an' seein' folks in what Miss Lena, which was the fourth from the last place I lived, called dishabill. It means not fixed up to receive company, with the parlor dusted, an' the lamps filled, an' high-heeled slippers an' silk stockings on, an' hair waved, but just bein' caught in your old shirt-waist with no collar, an' your shoes down at the heel, an' quarrellin' with your mother about something. But, of course, you'd know what dishabill meant without my tellin' you.

Not even a policeman, though, sees the dishabill people the way we servants do. He comes when there's trouble an' everything is excitement, an' he can't tell whether they skimp on family dinners so as to have a caterer for company ones, or whether their underclothes are the cheapest things from the bargain counters so as they can spend more money on the outside ones. It takes a servant girl to be really intimate with all the little ways of family, an' sometimes it's so interestin', ma'am, that you're half inclined to think you'll stay a servant girl all your life, just for the free entertainment you get, an' then again, you feel so tired of it that you'd jump off the pier if you thought you'd have to spend many more days in other people's kitchens.—Smith's Magazine.

Bad Break.

"Beautiful girl!" cried the impulsive young man on the shadowy deck of the lake steamer.

"Nonsense!" laughed the pretty maid. "Beauty is but skin deep."

"Ah, would that thou wert a hippopotamus."

"Sir!"

The lapping of the waves grew fainter. It seemed as though he was sitting on an iceberg, so frigid were the surroundings.

"That is, I mean—well, you know a hippo's skin—fudge! A hippo's skin is thick, deucedly thick, and if beauty is skin deep and you had the skin of a hippo, why—er—you'd be that much more beautiful. Do I make myself plain, Miss Evangeline?"

"Yes, sir, you make yourself out to be the plainest dunce I ever saw. I shall never speak to you again."

Decay Gives Radium Power.

Uranium appears to have a decadent life history, breaking into other elements—of which radium is one—which, in its turn, yield the emanation, and other elements designated as radium A, B, etc.

The theory has been propounded that uranium, thorium and radium are undergoing atomic disintegration, and the heat that radium evolves is the direct outcome of explosions of the atomic structure. Elements of lower atomic weight thus result, and hence the appearance of helium. This would account for the presence of helium in the rocks and spring waters of the globe, where it has been accumulating for millions of years.—Dr. C. A. Doernes in Century.

A Woman's Reason.

"Here's the drug store. Didn't you say you wanted to buy some postage stamps?"

"Yes, but I always get them at the store on the next corner. They smell so much nicer there."

LOOSE LEAF RECIPE BOOK

Nothing Else so Well Meets the Requirements of the Up-to-Date Housekeeper.

Among the variety of handy recipe books for the housekeeper, which include bound envelopes for clippings, cabinets with loose cards and indexed books generally, nothing probably fits the situation so well as the loose-leaf notebook, such as students use. One of the sort with ring fasteners which allow the book to open flat is the best. With it, a leaf may be removed and taken to the kitchen without endangering the entire book with kitchen smirches, and when a leaf is mutilated or a recipe has outlived its usefulness the leaf on which it is written or pasted may be removed. When new recipes come they may be inserted in their legitimate places with only the effort of removing and replacing the back fasteners. The books that open lengthwise are liked best by most women, and the smaller the size of the book the less room it will occupy. Leaves can always be bought when the supply runs out, and clippings may be written. These loose leaf books have taken the place of bound blank books for many purposes, and a set of them for notes of various kinds, and even for illustrations, programs and the kind which one likes to keep is a real convenience.

A SIMPLE VEGETABLE SLICER

Handy Kitchen Device Which May Be Easily Constructed by the Average Person.

Any handy man, or handy woman, for that matter, can build a vegetable slicer which will be a great improvement on the rather expensive devices which are shown in the shops. Take a piece of white wood, planed very



Home-Made Vegetable Slicer.

clean, about seven inches or eight inches long and four inches wide, with two stout wire dogs or staples placed as shown in sketch. With an ordinary table knife slipped through the two staples, the cucumber can be cut very rapidly and evenly by pressing the cucumber against the board and sliding it down the blade of the knife, the staples acting as a gauge for the thickness of the slices.

TO POLISH LEATHER FRAMES

Certain Kinds of Leather Can Be Brightened by Rubbing Occasionally With Turpentine.

Dull leather frames, especially the colored embossed ones, are so ugly that most housekeepers are worried with them.

Special polishes are sold for different kinds and colors of leather. These should be bought from a reliable dealer and it is well to take the frames along in buying the polish, as various tones are sold.

Certain kinds of leather can be freshened by rubbing it occasionally with turpentine to take off the stains, followed by an application of crude oil to prevent cracking and stiffening.

Use only a drop or two of the liquids and rub the oil in with a piece of clean flannel. Later polish with a clean soft silk handkerchief.

Be sure your frame really is leather before trying to clean it, as many of the new frames are compositions and the turpentine will affect the coloring.

Wee Helps and Hints.

A whisk broom kept especially for the purpose is very helpful in sprinkling clothes.

When lamp wicks grow stubborn and will not work easily, pull out a thread from each edge. This makes the wick smaller and easier to manage.

It will soon be "draught time," when the wind will come whistling round our doors and sills. A long, flat sand bag at the door will keep a room free from draughts.

Rub fresh lard over new tinware, heat it in the oven before using and you need never worry about its rusting.

Grapes, Pears and Bananas.

Heap the grapes in one salver or basket with a spray of some climbing or clinging vine thrown around it. Group pears and bananas together, and garnish with autumn leaves.

Clam Fritters.

One pint of clams, heads chopped, 1 cup hot mashed potato, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon salt. Drop from spoon into boiling water.

MODES of The MOMENT



PARIS—Some of the latest designs approved by the great dressmakers and tailors of Paris reveal unexpected points.

Quite the rage of the hour, for visiting dresses, is the long, straight, overdress which is half a tunic and half a princess robe. These quaint garments are molded to the figure without being actually tight-fitting, and very frequently they are hemmed with a band of fur.

Indeed, we find bands of fur here, there and everywhere on the newest and most costly models, with the natural result that these garments can be suitably worn without any mantle or wrap.

With regard to the new straight tunic, which is as long as a princess robe, it must be said that when perfectly cut and fitted it is exceedingly smart. The fact that it is not actually tight-fitting gives it a vague and picturesque outline.

These princess tunic robes demand the new figure, or rather the new corset; that which gives the impression of slim straightness, without undue prominence of bust or hips. This idea of depriving the feminine figure of its most notable points is quite new and I am of opinion that it will not find favor long in the eyes of the Parisiennes, writes *Ida de Villiers* in the *Boston Globe*. Yet it is certain that just at the present moment every effort is being made to reduce the size of the hips and to give to the whole figure that peculiar straightness which used to be considered "very English." In conjunction with the molded tunic dresses this style of figure is effective, but then we cannot give our exclusive approval to garments of this genre and with almost all the others the distinctive feminine outline is called for.

The Japanese Sleeve. A curious fact in connection with these close fitting tunics, and the same holds good of the modified directoire styles, is the introduction of the Japanese sleeve. We find these pretty sleeves, cut in one piece with the bodice on all sorts and conditions of dresses; in fact, for any but a tailored costume it is the exception to find a sleeve which has been stitched into the armhole.

For example, take an afternoon reception dress by *Rouff*—a very charming model. The material was saxe blue satin striped with black velvet. The robe was short waisted and directoire in outline except the sleeves, which were quite Japanese. They reached a little below the elbows and were finished off with a narrow band of sable, similar bands appearing on the round collar and also on the deep hem of black velvet which finished off the round skirt. An attractive item of this dress was the folded band of black satin which formed the waistband, with long ends falling to the hem of the dress in front.

Another admirable reception dress, by the same artist, was composed of blue natter satin cloth, the skirt being tight and round, the simple material being arranged in a long tablier in front. This tablier was edged with bands of silver fox and these bands were passed over the shoulders at the waist band with a broad buckle of blue enamel. The waist line of this dress was quite high and the sleeves were long and rather tight, with bands of fur arranged to simulate a gauntlet cuff.

In Khaki-Colored Velvet.

Yet another dress of the same order was composed of khaki-colored velvet, with a narrow band of black fox at the extreme hem of the round skirt, and, at the knees, a wide insertion of khaki-colored venetian guilpore. The bodice portion was absolutely plain, with a band of fur at the throat, but the Japanese sleeves had an insertion of guilpore just above the elbows, and, just below, a band of black fox.

We have been told by persons in supposed authority that round skirts are no longer considered correct for afternoon wear, for visits, receptions, etc.; but in complete opposition to this statement comes the obvious fact that our best dressmakers are giving their approval to just these very costumes, and that they are making them for their best clients. The fact of the matter is that women have become so accustomed to the smart round skirt that they will not easily give it up. They make the balance even by having extra long trains on their evening gowns.

Of Classic Design.

Some of the newest afternoon gowns, for indoor wear, are almost classic in their outline. They are composed of exceedingly supple material, such as liberty satin, silk crepe, chiffon velvet, etc., and they cling to the figure in a fascinating manner which would have delighted the Empress Josephine. As a rule the bodices of these robes are held in place, at the waist by a narrow sash of ribbon or by a silken cord. The waist line is almost always very high, and the narrow sash is introduced high up, almost under the arms. These dresses give an impression of youthful simplicity, and they are undoubtedly effective when worn by married women.

The idea of allowing the satin bodice to remain uncovered while the skirt of the same material is completely veiled in gauze, is original as well as modern.

At some of the recent race meetings many really beautiful toilets have been worn. For example, at Longchamps, when the *prix du Prince d'Orange* was run, the weather was superb, and all the most notable society leaders were present. A notable number of black satin tailored suides were worn, and one of the most effective of these was that of Princess Duleep-Singh. The skirt was round and clinging, and the smart coat, of medium length, had large directoire revers and cuffs. A dainty cravat of old yellow lace appeared at the throat and the princess wore a large flat hat of cream colored felt, trimmed with a scarf of yellow lace and a couple of large roses.

Black Velvet Popular.

Baroness Raoul de Prescourt also wore a coat and skirt of heavy black satin with a superb stole and muff of black fox and a big picture hat of black velvet loaded with feathers. Black and navy blue costumes had it all their own way that afternoon, and black velvet gowns were very much in evidence.

I have seen coats and skirts in mole gray corduroy which were as seasonable as they were beautiful, and Redfern is just now making ideal



tailored suits in twine-colored velours, with large revers of twine-colored suede embroidered in heavy silks.

At Longchamps one has a good opportunity of judging the popularity of black and white materials and black and white combinations generally. The large black felt, or velvet hat, trimmed with handsome white feathers, is rapidly becoming a sort of uniform and the same may be said of turban toques. Wherever black can be combined with white we find the two mingled and our ultra smart Parisiennes are now appearing in black velvet costumes, made in the princess tunic style already described, in conjunction with stoiles, muffs and turbans of ermine. And then on the other hand nothing is considered more correct than the severely-tailored suit accompanied by black fox furs and a large flat hat of black velvet. Black on white and white on black; these are the orders of the autocrats of the *Rue de la Paix* this season, and it must be admitted that the Parisiennes seem willing to obey them.

White Chamolles Gloves.

I must not neglect to draw attention to the fact that white chamolles gloves, especially for morning wear, are very fashionable. They are worn with tailored suits of all kinds, but they are especially effective with white serge coats and skirts, or, in the afternoon, with one of the black velvet suits mentioned above. These gloves almost always have gauntlets, though not always stiff ones, and the smart thing is to have them a size too large so that they can be drawn on and off with the ease of riding gloves.

An evening gown of faded rose satin is shown in the illustration. The overdress is embroidered in milk white garnet and steel beads. Head-dress of old lace caught at the sides with pearl ornaments.

EYE NOT PATRIOTIC ENOUGH

Oculist's Second Attempt Procures for Him Decoration From Haitian Emperor.

During the reign of Emperor Soulouque in Haiti one of his generals wrote to an eminent oculist in Paris ordering a glass eye. The oculist flattered himself that a successfully constructed artificial optic would secure for him a decoration of honor by the Haitian government; accordingly, he devoted his entire skill to the production of a work of art.

Six months after the shipment of the eye to Haiti, the oculist received a small box from Haiti. In his imagination he pictured the golden testimonial to his skill, so it was with horror that, when he had unwound the folds of cotton in the box, he saw returned his work of art. A letter accompanied the box. Among other things it said:

"The eye you have forwarded me is of a tint that resembles that of the Spanish flag, and I am too patriotic to wear any but the color of my country."

Whereupon the oculist proceeded at once to the admiralty, where he ascertained the colors of the Haitian flag. He then immediately manufactured a scarlet and green eye, of the approved shades, and forwarded it to the emperor, who was much pleased with the effort and who duly decorated the oculist.

PARROTS GUIDED COLUMBUS

Talkative Birds Entitled to Consideration in Selection of Our National Emblem.

Before the eagle was selected as our national emblem, Benjamin Franklin urged the claims of the turkey. It was purely American, he said, while the eagle was not; it was a proud and generous bird, and it was good eating. If Franklin had known more about our early history, he might have spoken for the parrot.

When Columbus sailed westward over the unknown Atlantic he expected to reach Zipangu, Japan. After several days' sail from Gomera, one of the Canary islands, he became uneasy at not discovering Zipangu, which, according to his reckoning, should have been two hundred and sixteen nautical miles more to the east. After a long discussion, he yielded to the opinion of Alonso Pinzon, the commander of the *Pinta*, and steered to the southwest. Pinzon was influenced in his opinion solely by a fight of parrots, which took wing in that direction. It was good luck to follow in the wake of a flock of birds when engaged upon a voyage of discovery—a widespread superstition among Spanish seamen of that day, and the great navigator was thus guided to the new world.

Good Matrimonial Advice.

Preserve sacredly the privacies of your own house, your married state and your own heart. Let no father or mother or sister or brother ever presume to come between you or share the joys or sorrows that belong to you two alone.

With mutual help build your quiet world, not allowing your dearest earthly friends to be the confidant of aught that concerns your domestic peace. Let moments of alienation, if they occur, be healed at once. Never, no, never, speak of it outside, but to each other confess and all will come out right. Never let the morrow's sun still find you at variance. Renew and renew your vow. It will do you good, and thereby your minds will grow together contented in that love which is stronger than death, and you will be truly one.—National Magazine.

Curious Marriage Custom.

The Kurds have a very curious and somewhat dangerous marriage custom which one would think would be more honored in the breach than in the observance. The husband, surrounded by a bodyguard of twenty or thirty young men, carries his wife home on his back in a scarlet cloth and is desperately assaulted the whole way by a number of girls. Sticks and stones are hurled at the bridegroom, who in the coming home with his bride can hardly be considered a very happy man, for the irate amazons often inflict on him marks which he carries to the grave. It may be that among the lady pursuers are some of the bridegroom's former "flames," who turn the mock attack into downright earnest to avenge slighted love.

Accounted For.

"Where are our poets of today?" thundered the orator, looking over the vast audience that had gathered in the district schoolhouse, waiting a breathless moment or two to let his words sink into the minds of his spellbound listeners.

"Waal," replied Hiram Plunkett, from the rear of the room, "our best poet here is down to Bear Run cuttin' timber fur a steam sawmill company, an' Marthy Baker, our next author—ess in order, hed to stay away tonight, much to her vexation, becuz her pap's got the roomertiz."

Towser's Loss.

"Hello, old chum," cried the crow at the club. "Back from your hunting trip? Bag anything?"

"No," responded Chappy Badshot, wearily.

"Well, no wonder. You're a back number. The idea of going hunting with a tailless pointer."

"Oh, don't blame poor Beppo! He had a tail when we started."

CAP and BELLS



WISE YOUNGSTER AN EXPERT

Garrulous Young Man Sure He Knew Fresh Oysters but Didn't Recognize Rubber Ones.

The garrulous young man who thinks he "knows it all," and some more besides, stood in front of the restaurant window.

"Fine jar of oysters you have in there," he commented.

"Yes," responded the corpulent proprietor, who was standing in the doorway.

"So plump and fresh-looking. When it comes to telling a fresh oyster by its appearance, I'm the candy."

"Regular expert, eh?"

"You bet! They say oysters are not running good this year, and yet those in that jar look the same as those you had in the window two years ago when oysters were plentiful."

And the restaurant proprietor's features relaxed into a pleasant smile.

"They are the same," was the quiet response. "Those are rubber oysters, for show only."

Ultra-Swell.

Little Madge of Shantytown is not so fortunate as her well-dressed sisters and is often forced to wear her mother's "hand me downs." When she appeared out on the river pier in a skirt that was so long she could scarcely walk all the gamins started to jeer her. "Get onto de umbrella cover she has on," bantered Jimmy Finn. "What do yer call it, anyhow, Madge?"

And Madge elevated her little sun-peeled nose and retorted: "Get some sense about yer, Jimmy Finn, an' read de Paris styles once in a while. Dis is one of de new 'hobble skirts.'"

Melodrama.

As the eighteen-carat villain leaped down from the pasteboard castle the beautiful heroine gave a shriek of despair.

"Harold McDuff!" she moaned, as the great crystal tears welled in her eyes, "you have been my undoing!"

Turning as white as a summer-board house sheet, the eighteen-carat villain vanished among the paper foliage. And the beautiful heroine spoke the truth.

By stepping on the train of her gown the arch conspirator had loosened two tiny hooks up near the neck.

AWFUL.



The Trust Magnate—They tell me that I am accused of being two-faced.

His Secretary—Worse than that. Why, the newspaper illustrators have run your face up into the hundreds.

The Silver Lining.

"Anyway," remarked the optimist, "there is one good feature about the tariff on wool."

"Huh!" sneered the pessimist. "I'd like to know what it is."

"Why," rejoined the optimist, "it will make it more expensive for the wolf to masquerade in sheep's clothing."

A Luckless Family.

"His father had a leg broken, his brother was run over by the trolley, and another brother had an arm broken while cranking up his auto."

"And did he escape all such serious things?"

"He got married."

A Resemblance.

"What drink is a complaint of bad electric service like?"

"I can't see that it resembles any drink."

"Why, isn't it a current whine?"

Smart Turbans



BY JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

THE influence of Oriental ideas is more evident in our millinery styles than for many a year. The dressier turbans for evening wear appear to be pieces of rich fabric draped about the head and fastened with gorgeous looking ornaments of mock jewels. Gold and silver tissue and jeweled bands are used in these.

For day wear turbans made on larger frames show crowns in handsome fabrics, such as heavy brocades, tapestries and gold or silver tissues. Tinsel nets are draped over silk nets or lace. Nothing is more popular for the brims or "coronets" than bands of fur. This is, in fact, the furthest of seasons. Fur bands appear about the bottoms of handsome gowns for street or visiting and on the flimsiest of fabrics for evening wear. Lace hats with collars of rich fur and hats of all descriptions share with the gowns the smart touch of fur.

For less expensive millinery the turban of velvet is the most effective that can be chosen. In order to get best results, a good quality of plain velvet is selected or one of the "panne" velvets in good colorings. The latter are a little less expensive than good quality in plain velvets.

Fancy feathers and wings are chosen for their decoration.

It takes about a yard and a half of velvet to make a turban. Rows of parallel shirrings confine the velvet to the frame, which may be either of wire or of buckram. A soft crown should be supported by a lining of crinoline.

Fabric hats are much in evidence. Silks, satins, velvets, brocades, tapestries, figured ribbons and colors of various descriptions, all are cast in the play for winter millinery, but velvet holds sway in the star part.

BARGAINS IN CHEAP STUFF

Few Deft Touches Will Frequently Give Garment an Entirely Different Appearance.

Often you will see real bargains in frocks and blouses on the ready-made counter. Do not give one look at the cheap lace or trimming, or at the way the seams are finished, and throw it back. Buy your bargain, take it home and redeem and regenerate it.

Cheap lace can be replaced by good; dainty tulle or net frills can take the place of cheap ruffles; seams can be restitched and coarse embroidery worked over by hand. If the material and the cut justify your buying the garment at all, you can give it an individual touch that will raise the value of your bargain 75 per cent.

And even where there is nothing noticeably cheap or common about the garment, try to give those little extra touches; then you will be in no danger of meeting your new gown on another woman at the next street corner.

USEFUL DRESSING JACKET.



Of cream flannel, finished at the edges with blanket stitch in old rose silk, and threaded with satin ribbon in same shade. This is a very easy pattern for the home dressmaker.

Improving a Blouse.

The most economical and satisfactory way of obtaining a hand-embroidered shirtwaist is to purchase a ready-made waist with machine embroidered design and work over the embroidery by hand, thus saving stamping, padding and making the waist. A blouse embroidered in this way will deceive the most expert needlewoman.

TWO PRETTY HOLIDAY GIFTS

Slipper Case or Sewing Bag Both a Welcome and Serviceable Present.

A slipper case and a sewing bag are delightful holiday gifts, which are easily made and very useful to the receiver. They may be made from any stray pieces of bright-colored silk, linen, chintz, satin, denim or, in fact, any material of that kind; or, if desired, the slipper case may be developed in pink-flowered cretonne bound with dark-green braid.

The loosely gathered sewing bag has an outside flap, which contains the needle book, and a pretty fancy is to embroider the owner's initials on the outside of the flap. Fancy brass rings are sewed to the upper edge, through which is run the ribbon which regulates the fullness about the top, and is used to hang it up by.

The slipper case, which is divided into compartments and stiffened by means of cardboard interlining, requires seven-eighths yard of material 22 inches wide or five-eighths yard 36 inches wide; either with 2 1/2 yards of tape to bind and two hangers. The sewing bag needs 1 1/4 yards 22 or more inches wide, with 2 1/2 yards of braid and seven rings.

Chenille Caps.

Parisian women have taken with enthusiasm to the new knitted caps of chenille, mostly in red and other bright colors, very flat, and untrimmed. These are warm, light and pretty, and will be much worn this winter for skating, etc., and as traveling caps. The idea originated with a little girl who sold dolls' caps of this sort at the Paris races.

Men Like Simplicity of Fare.

How many well-meaning housewives make the mistake in their over-zealous hospitality to furnish men guests with elaborate dishes, when simple, well-prepared foods would please the men so much more! Any hostess who will bear this fact in mind will not only save trouble, expense and time, but will also please her masculine guests to a greater extent.

Sash for Slender Figure.

The slender woman who cannot wear the too-narrow girdle should try the sash with the "pump" or obi bow, worn in front, its folds arranged in perfectly flat loops and the whole of stiff, wide ribbon. The effect is most becoming and very easy to wear, besides extremely fashionable.

To Save Trouble.

From garments that have been laid aside, cut the strip containing the buttonholes, leaving enough material to turn under. Use this strip as a "fly" to new garments, thereby saving both time and labor.

ONE WAY TO BE MODEL MAN

Young Son of Thrifty Mother Lets Light in on Family Secret.

"There's more than one way of being a model man," remarked the young son of a thrifty mother to the girl upon whom he was trying to make a good impression.

"How so?" asked the girl.

"It's more or less of a family secret, but ever since mother's chatty chum came in and found me arrayed in an up-to-date overskirt, with mother on all fours at my feet with a mouthful of pins trying to make it hang straight, I suppose the cat is out of the bag and you may as well get it from me." In the girl's eyes there was an expression of mixed consternation and mirth.

"I have always been slender, and since mother had no daughter on whom to hang her dresses and things, she's used me for a model for the last five years. All she did was to put her what-you-may-call-them that lace up the back on me, pull them up to her own size regardless of my discomfort and begin to dressmake with my sylph-like form for a model. But when I got home from college this last time my waist had developed to unladylike proportions and mother has been forced to buy herself a pneumatic form to take the place of her model son. I'm thinking of putting this requisite in with my specifications as a husband," he added half seriously.

MODEL CURIOUS TO KNOW

Tom Browne, Celebrated English Artist, Meets Suspicious Negro Glass Chewer.

Tom Browne, the celebrated English humorous artist, may be said to have had no education whatever in drawing. He educated himself. What he saw he drew, and his genius made it a picture. He did go to an art school at Nottingham for a couple of terms, and it was a good school in its way.

Anyhow, he grew tired of the cut-and-dried methods obtaining there—of the restraint, as he once put it to me—and so with about a dozen other would-be artists he took a room over some stables and there drew and painted from "life." They took it in turns to procure models—a tramp, a newspaper boy, a flower seller, anybody who wanted to earn a quarter served their purpose.

One night Tom, scouring the neighborhood for a subject, lighted on a negro who earned a living by chewing glass in public houses. This nice gentleman was asked if he would come to the loft to be painted.

He looked at Browne earnestly for some moments and, evidently laboring under the impression that the natural hue of his body was to be altered, he demanded: "Will it come off, sah?"

When One Has Fever.

In cases of excessive thirst that arise from feverish conditions the juice of half a lime poured over cracked ice or mixed with charged waters will give relief if slowly sipped a little at a time.

It is often found that very hot water taken by the teaspoonful will satisfy thirst more quickly than any other drink. The effect is heightened if a few drops of orange, lemon or lime juice is added or a half teaspoon of baking soda.

The main thing in thirst quenching is not to gulp down great quantities of liquid, to take nothing too sweet or too rich and to avoid ice water, which, contrary to usual belief, increases rather than decreases thirst, and against which all doctors fight.

Mrs. Jones Knew Why.

Mr. Smith was conversing with Mr. Jones.

"Say," said Smith, "do you know why it is you are like a donkey?"

"No," said Jones in surprise.

"Why, because your better half is stubbornness itself," said the brilliant Smith.

Jones thought over the matter all the way home, and on arriving he looked at Mrs. Jones with the expression of a man who is about to do himself proud, and said:

"Say, do you know why I am like a donkey?"

There was a long silence from Mrs. Jones, and then she smiled pityingly, and said:

"Why, I suppose it is because you were born that way."

Welsh Loyalty.

They tell a story in Onondaga county, says the Buffalo Courier, to illustrate Welsh loyalty, of two Welshmen coming across to make their fortunes in the new land. They had many friends in Remsen, that Welsh stronghold north of Utica. Already they were enthusiastic and loyal because of the pictures penned in the letters which encouraged them to come to America. As they entered the bay the Greater City of New York stretched out before them. "That must surely be Remsen," said one. "No," spoke the other. "That's New York." The first speaker looked long and hard. There was awe in his voice when he replied: "Well, then, and what must Remsen be?"

An Observation.

"What says the voice of the people?" inquired the oracular alarmist.

"My personal observation," replied Senator Sorghum, "is that the voice of the people is, as a rule, too closely occupied in giving three cheers for somebody to articulate anything very distinctly."

REAL JUDAS FEAST AT TOKYO

Enmity in Division of Spoils and Tips Between Guides Leads to Tragedy.

Kosaku was the head guide at a big Tokyo hotel. He and another guide called Tomora, who also acted as policeman and incidentally as a spy on foreigners, were constantly quarreling about the tips and spoils they extracted from globe-trotters, says the Wide World. Kosaku finally proposed reporting Tomora to the police authorities and so destroying his hopes of a pension. At the end of the year Tomora one day dressed himself carefully in foreign clothes, loaded a revolver, put it in his pocket, and invited the unfortunate Kosaku to a feast at a tea house. It was indeed a Judas feast. The two men ate together and drank. One after another, as little stone bottles of sake were emptied, the former enemies swore in bibulous phrases that all was forgiven. Together they started to return to the hotel, both apparently full of happiness and peace of mind and resolved that in future they would fleece the stranger within their gates hand in hand, as beloved brethren should. Then, just by the bridge near the hotel—the untidy bridge where the trams meet—Tomora turned like a wolf and suddenly shot Kosaku in the neck and body—shot with unerring aim, for Kosaku fell dead with out a moan. Tomora then killed himself on the spot. He had not forgiven but was there not a supreme and cruel treachery in spending his last hour making merry with his victim?

THE LIMIT OF CAUTIONSNESS

Liveryman Demands Proof of Honesty from Man Who Would Rescue Fire-Trapped Horses.

The man who refused to be saved from drowning because he had never been introduced to his would-be rescuer was an incorrigible bohemian compared with the liveryman the commercial traveler met on his last trip west.

One night the livery stable caught fire. The stable was old, the fire had made considerable headway before the alarm was turned in, and it seemed inevitable that most of the horses must perish. To the liveryman who stood in the street cursing and wringing his hands an athletic stranger rushed up and said:

"Tell me in what part of the building your best horses are stabled and I will save some of them."

The liveryman ceased lamenting and eyed the stranger suspiciously. "Sir," said he, "can you produce proof that you are square in your horse deals?"

"Square hell," said the stranger and dashed into the stable. With the assistance of a fireman he saved five horses, but not until they were safely stabled elsewhere did the liveryman cease to suspect the stranger of horse-stealing.

Not Ready to Be Finished.

The physician of an uptown hospital in Philadelphia had a surprise the other day over a patient supposedly suffering from a fractured skull. He was taken to the operating room in a semi-conscious condition. Two of the surgical chiefs were there and one of them was just about to begin work on the man when a telegram was handed to him.

After reading it, he turned to the other with the remark, "My father is critically ill in New York; you must finish this fellow."

The man was sufficiently conscious to hear what was said and, misunderstanding the import of the word "finish," jumped from the table and rushed out.

Caesar's Lament.

The wild beasts gnashed their teeth and roared like a circus calliope; the gladiators shouted hoarsely; the arena was knee-deep with gore.

In the amphitheater the pleasure-seeking populace clamored tumultuously.

"More blood! More death!" they yelled ferociously.

Great Caesar in his private box heard their cry and sighed.

"Would that I might grant their prayer," he muttered. "If only—and imploringly he raised his eyes heavenward—"I could pull off an automobile cup race!"

Great Caesar wept.

For with all his boasted power he was unable to hasten the flight of time.

A Headache Cure.

The sick headache that is caused by indigestion may often be cured by dissolving a teaspoonful of powdered charcoal in half a glass of hot water.

Charcoal tablets are also effective for a bad head or a teaspoonful of baking soda in a glass of hot water.

Try these remedies or hot water and salt before resorting to medicine. The headache tablet habit is bad to acquire and worse to break.

Never take any headache tablet just on the recommendation of a friend. Many of them are injurious to the heart.

Her Anxiety.

"She grieved sincerely over his business failure."

"What! After the way he abused her and drove her to the divorce court?"

"Yes, after all that."

"Well, what in the world is the woman thinking of?"

"Her alimony."

Evening Dresses



THE costume shown on the left is a combination of soft primrose satin and silver grey chiffon. The satin is used for the Princess underdress, the chiffon for the over-dress, which is slightly full at the waist, and at each side has a panel of dull silver and pearl trimming with fringed ends.

The front of bodice is veiled with the chiffon, over which trimming is laid, a narrow dull silver trimming edging the bodice; the chiffon is then draped on the bodice, the sleeves being cut in with it; the edge of sleeve is finished with the trimming.

Materials required: 7 yards double width satin, 8 yards chiffon, 42 inches wide, trimming according to width.

The other is in white satin charmeuse; the slightly trained skirt is trimmed with wide tarnished gold and pale blue embroidery, which draws the satin slightly in and gives the effect of a tunic, edged with handsome cord that is carried up to the waist each side front.

The over-bodice is of entirely the same embroidery, with underslip of white crepe-de-Chine, the whole edged with cord; waist-band of soft blue satin.

Materials required: Five yards double width satin, 1 1/4 yard embroidery for skirt, 1 1/4 yard embroidery for bodice, 1 1/4 yard crepe-de-Chine 40 inches wide.

SHOWING THE WINTER STYLES

Exhibits of London Dressmakers Give Fair Idea of What Is Going to Be Popular.

All the smart dressmakers in London have been exhibiting their new models. The coat and skirt costumes were chiefly of "ratine," the latest novelty in materials, which when at its best resembles chamois leather in appearance, but is as soft and warm as a good Harris tweed. Coats, of course, were short and rather like the reefer of several years ago, while skirts, if not actually hobbled, were tight to the hobbling point and much trimmed. House and evening gowns were almost all fashioned with tunic effect. Sometimes the tunic was very long. Sometimes it reached but a little below the hips.

Black was much used to soften vivid color effects. Thus, a frock of purple and green had a long tunic of black net bordered with Persian trimming, while black and blue and black and magenta were blended on various evening gowns. Oriental embroideries, dull silver and gold tissues and gem-studded braids were also in evidence. Garlands of flowers were used in trimming some of the dresses, and one dainty pink and cream gown was shackled with ropes of dainty little roses veiled with chiffon.

LANCIES OF FASHION

There is a preference for white laces this season.

Light, filmy laces are trimmed with fur for winter gowns.

The popularity for the one piece gown does not abate.

More ostrich feathers are being sold than ever before.

Black velvet is paramount as trimming, while satin runs a close second.

Large colored wood buttons are seen on some of the new tailored suits.

There seems to be no cessation in the demand for allovers and baby Irish.

The style of the one piece afternoon gown depends upon the little French touches more than upon any special scheme of line.

Hints for the Table.

For a very delicious dish of deviled clams prepare a cupful of chopped clams and season them with cayenne, salt and the juice of a lemon. Mix them to a soft batter-like consistency with the yolks of two eggs and some powdered crackers. Put the mixture into little ramekins, broil scalloped snells or into tiny cups, spread the surface with soft butter and bake until well browned. For a change the mixture may be spread over crisp crackers and then browned in the oven.

Two Sewing Hints.

When silk pulls out of shape under a pattern, baste the edges of the silk evenly to a newspaper. Cut through silk and paper. To press tucks in crepe de chine put a sheet of white tissue paper over the right side. In this way the tucks may be seen and kept straight.

REVIVAL OF "GREEK BATH"

Beauty Doctors Are Recommending It—Said to Have Splendid Effect on the Skin.

If the skin happens to be dry and harsh, have you tried the soothing and smoothing effect of the so-called Greek bath? This was a favorite remedy of the ancients and has been revived by modern beauty doctors.

Mix seven tablespoonfuls of pure olive oil and one of lavender water and rub it well into the entire body. Apply a little at a time and rub in well with the palms of the hand, using a circular motion.

To get the best effects from this bath the body should be kept very warm during the rubbing. If hot cloths are applied first to open the pores more of the oil will be absorbed.

Take the baths three nights in succession, then stop for a week and take the series again as necessary. The skin quickly improves.

LATEST IN MILLINERY.



Parisian Idea in Novel Design.

Foot Comfort.

A shoemaker who has had wide experience with making women's shoes gives as the secret of foot comfort the simple rule: "Never wear a shoe that will not permit the great toe to lie in a straight line."

This may mean the elimination of some of the most fashionable cuts and the annoyance to vanity of asking for big sizes, but it will save bills to the chiropodist and improve dispositions.

Tea Gowns.

A lovely little tea gown which contains an idea for the woman with a similar garment to make over is of pale turquoise satin, draped in empire style and veiled with gray crepe de chine, hemmed with a finger's width of gray squirrel fur. The veiling is held in place over the underbody by a fleur-de-lis of seed pearls at the waist.

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FACTORY FIRE SNUFFS OUT LIVES OF MORE THAN SCORE

Wedge Under Falling Walls and Frozen by Spray From Firemen's Hose.

Philadelphia.—More than a score of lives were snuffed out last Tuesday night as the result of a fire which destroyed the leather goods factory of D. Friedlander, and as many more were injured, many of them fatally.

While the firemen were fighting the flames from the roofs of adjoining dwellings the south wall of the factory collapsed, burying nearly two score of firemen.

As soon as the extent of the calamity became known policemen were hurried to the scene in an effort to save those who were still alive in the debris by tearing down the north wall, which was tottering. This body of policemen had scarcely got to work when the north wall crashed upon them.

At the time of this second fall between 25 and 30 policemen and firemen were at work directly under the huge mass of bricks. When the second crash came, 15 of them managed to rush to safety, but others were crushed beneath tons of bricks and girders. Eleven dead policemen and firemen have been taken from under the north wall and nine from beneath the south wall. Other bodies can be seen lying under the debris, but the work of reaching them is necessarily slow owing to the ice covered beams and bricks which were hard to handle.

More than 20 persons have been taken to hospitals.

Of those taken to hospitals half a dozen have fractured skulls and are internally injured. The chances of recovery are slight.

THREE HUNDRED MINERS DIE IN MINE EXPLOSION

Season of Merry Yuletide Turned Into Days and Nights of Mourning

Bolton, England.—More than 300 men lost their lives in the explosion in the Little Hulton colliery of the Hulton Colliery Company, located a short distance from this city. The explosion occurred soon after the miners had entered the pit. Its force was terrific, and later investigations showed that the lower passages had been blocked. Heroic efforts were made by rescue parties all day, but a fire which followed the explosion prevented the rescuers from penetrating beyond 400 yards into the workings. No explanation is given as to the cause of the explosion, which completely wrecked the mine.

Ten bodies which were recovered were lying close to the mouth of the pit. In each case death was due to asphyxiation. One of the eight miners who escaped said the force of the explosion was such that the limbs of many were blown off. This is the second great mine disaster in England this year, an explosion having occurred in the Wellington colliery at Whitehaven, Cumberland, on May 12, in which 136 miners were killed.

Charged With Murder.

Spokane, Wash.—Patrick Holland, on trial in the Superior Court at Riverville, charged with the murder of Josephine Putnam, formerly a Spokane school teacher, on November 7, was found guilty of murder in the second degree. The jury brought in a verdict after deliberating six hours.

Carbolic Acid and Love.

San Francisco.—Miss Ruby Marlen, 22 years old, living at the Hotel Argo, took carbolic acid over a love affair. She was taken to the Central Emergency Hospital and was revived. She will recover.

Goes to Post at London.

St. Petersburg.—Captain S. L. H. Slocum, who has been the American military attaché here, left for his new and similar post at London.

WORLD'S NEWS OF THE WEEK SUMMARIZED

Adventures of the Children of Mother Earth Related in Condensed Form

Comprehensive Review of Passing Events in Every Quarter of the Terrestrial Globe.

Paris.—The Senate has approved a bill accepting Greenwich time as the standard time for France.

Irwin, Pa.—Hurled 90 feet into a ravine when a trolley car struck their team, Paul H. Grubb, 19 years old, was instantly killed, and Margaret Frey, 18 years old, was seriously injured.

Baltimore.—The body of Lieutenant Edward J. Donohue of the United States revenue cutter Apache was found in the waters of the upper harbor. He had been missing since Saturday night.

Jackson, Miss.—Members of the crew of the British steamer Horos, which arrived at Gulfport harbor, report sighting the wreck of Walter Wellman's airship two hundred miles east of the Bahama islands, shortly before sundown December 9th.

Syracuse, N. Y.—Pontiac Clothilde de Kelii, a Holstein-Friesian cow, owned by Stevens Brothers of Liverpool, has broken the world's seven-day butter record, producing 37.28 pounds. Since 1908 the record has been 35.55 pounds, held by Grace Fayne II, Homestead.

Kansas City.—All the horses of Kansas City were invited, through their owners, to attend a Christmas dinner at 1311 Baltimore avenue. The Humane Society chose a place for serving the dinner. Each horse received a large sack of oats and hay enough to make him feel fat.

Paris.—By flying 322 miles without alighting, Aviator Legagneux broke the world's record for long-distance sustained flight. Legagneux's time was five hours and 59 minutes. Unless this record is beaten by January 1st, Legagneux will win the Michelin Cup, valued at \$4000. Legagneux used a Bleriot monoplane.

London.—Burglars who killed two policemen in a pistol battle with five officers were tunneling to a vault in a jewelry store containing \$100,000. The boring was nearly completed when a policeman discovered it and summoned help. In the fatal fight that followed the robbers escaped. Fifty detectives are seeking the desperadoes.

Copenhagen.—Former Minister of Justice Alberti, the revelation of whose banking frauds in the fall of 1908 scandalized the country, was sentenced to eight years' penal servitude. Alberti suffered a physical collapse in March, 1909, while awaiting trial and was removed to a hospital, where he remained until sufficiently restored to face his accusers.

Montreal.—In a barrel marked and consigned as poultry the body of an elderly, unidentified man was found in the storeroom of the Canada Cold Storage Company here by John Morant, a claim clerk of the Grand Trunk Railway. The barrel was consigned to a janitor, Bishops College, Montreal, and with the exception of the three initials "J. C. D." it contained no mark.

New York.—The municipal explosion commission, which has investigated the disastrous explosion at the Grand Central station, which cost ten lives, reported to Fire Commissioner Waldo that after an inspection of the gas system "this commission intimated to the officers of the railroad that it will be necessary for them to arrange to gas all cars at some point outside the borough of Manhattan."

New Orleans.—The United States revenue cutter Davis again anchored alongside the steamer Hornet and special customs inspectors were placed on shore opposite the Hornet's anchorage with instructions to report promptly any activities observed in connection with her preparations for sailing, as it is thought the vessel is designing to take part in the revolution in Honduras. After a thorough search the vessel departed.

South Bethlehem, Pa.—For ten years Miss Cecilia Delp of Hellertown has had a bullet in her head which could not be located until a few days ago, when Dr. Lapaz of Philadelphia found its whereabouts. Miss Delp was accidentally shot by her brother ten years ago, and since that time has suffered much with convulsions. Six operations failed to reveal the whereabouts of the bullet. The bullet will finally be removed on January 11th next, which will be the birthday anniversary of the girl.

COAST HAPS AND MISHAPS OF THE WEEK

Recent Occurrences Along the Pacific Slope Related in Brief Items.

Paragraphs Selected With a View to Giving Busy Readers the News in a Nutshell.

San Jose.—Attorney C. T. Bird died after a brief illness of pneumonia. He leaves a widow and family.

Whittier.—Frank Chance, the leader of the Chicago Cubs, bought another orange grove six miles from here. He paid \$25,000 for the orchard.

Los Angeles.—C. A. Jewel, aged 25, an automobile dealer, who had his head crushed when his machine collided with a bakery wagon, died at the hospital to which he was taken.

San Francisco.—Ramon Comas was arrested and is held in detinue pending the investigation of the larceny of \$500 from Francisco Ramon a week ago. The money was stolen from his trunk.

San Mateo.—While her 12 year old daughter, loitered to play with other children, Mrs. Josephine Muller killed herself at her home. The woman, who was 40 years old, feared insanity and chose death rather than a madhouse.

San Jose.—A man thought to be H. Butler, of Sonora, Cal., was seriously and perhaps fatally injured here by falling from the Del Monte flyer. In the man's pockets were found three baggage checks and a ticket for Santa Cruz.

Los Angeles.—Potatoes will be in the luxury class here before the winter is over, according to a prominent jobber. The reason given for this is a shortage of crops in the sections upon which southern California draws for its supply.

Sacramento.—The board of directors of the State Agricultural society met as a legislative committee to draft bills asking for appropriations from the legislature, and estimated that the amount needed to secure the proper improvements for next year would be \$300,000.

Seattle (Wash.).—The trial of cases against Charles F. Munday, Earl F. Seigley and Archie M. Shields, indicted on charges of conspiracy to defraud the Government out of valuable Alaska coal lands, was continued in the United States District Court from January 3d to March 26th.

Willows.—Reports are coming in to the effect that the grain crop in Tehama county shows a falling off of 50 per cent. This does not mean that Tehama county had a poor crop, it simply means that other things are now being raised where once wheat was king. The same holds true in Glenn county.

Seattle.—One man is dead, another is dying in the City Hospital, and four others are seriously ill of beri beri, which broke out on the British steamship Beachy early this week. When Arsal Ali, a Hindoo sailor, died on Tuesday night, an investigation resulted in the removal of Inget Ali, another Hindoo, to the Municipal Hospital.

El Centre Cal.—Four masked men, believed to be negroes, entered the camp of nine Hindus on J. M. Edmund's ranch south of here last night, and at the point of revolvers robbed the camp of \$240 in cash and several silver medals carried by the men. One of the robbers dropped his mask near the tent. It was made of green cloth from a pool table cover. The sheriff is searching for the men.

Seattle.—Bert Schuman, alias Herbert Rolason, kidnapper of eleven year-old Davy Wellman, was found guilty by a jury in the Superior Court. After the verdict had been returned Schuman admitted that he had previously served a term in the penitentiary for the same offense, and the Court adjudged him a habitual criminal and pronounced an indeterminate sentence of from twenty to forty years in the Walla Walla Penitentiary.

Sacramento.—Caught in the act of passing cocaine to his brother, a convict in Folsom Prison, Christy Rossi was arrested by Warden Reilly and will be brought to this city to face a felony charge which may land him in the gray-walled lodgings now occupied by his brother, Joe Rossi. For robbing box cars of goods valued at thousands of dollars, Rossi, together with other members of a gang, was sent to Folsom to serve a twenty-five-year term. He is a drug fiend, and in response to repeated appeals, his brother attempted to smuggle him a package of the cocaine.

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VERY, VERY IMPUDENT

By CARL JENKINS

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Judge Cliff was a widower with one child—a daughter, Viola. Colonel Spencer was a widower with one child—a son, Robin. Judge Cliff had a manor house called The Beeches. Colonel Spencer had a manor house called The Elms. The two properties adjoined.

The judge and the colonel were old cronies, but they seldom visited each other at their homes. When they met outside it was "Billy" and "Tom," and the greatest good fellowship. There was no line fence about their properties. At the rear of his grounds the judge had a big chestnut tree. At the rear of his the colonel had the same.

It should have been that the son and daughter of these old cronies were at least friends, but as a matter of fact up to the time that Viola Cliff was nineteen years old, and Robin two years her senior, they had never met. The two families had not been neighbors over a year, and the young folks were away at college and boarding school. Sometimes the judge had said to the colonel:

"Colonel, you have a son, I believe?"

"Yes, fine boy. Judge, you have a daughter, I believe?"

"Yes, fine girl."

And that was all the two old cronies knew of each other's offspring. The judge would have moved into the city for the winter in September, but for a whim of the daughter's. She wanted to wait for the chestnuts to ripen. The trees were loaded, but she must wait for the frosts to ripen the nuts and bring them pattering down. She had never gathered chestnuts.



"Well?" Queried the Young Man.

She had never eaten chestnuts gathered under her own tree.

"Nonsense, my dear—all nonsense," the father had replied, but she had had her way just the same.

There had been three frosts, and now the wind was blowing merrily. That meant chestnuts would be falling—brown, fat chestnuts to be eaten on the spot or taken home and roasted.

A hasty breakfast was eaten, and Miss Viola donned an old dress, hunted up her shabbiest hat, and set off for the trees with a basket on her arm. Yes, the frost had done its work. There were heaps and heaps of chestnuts lying on the ground, and more peppering down with every gust.

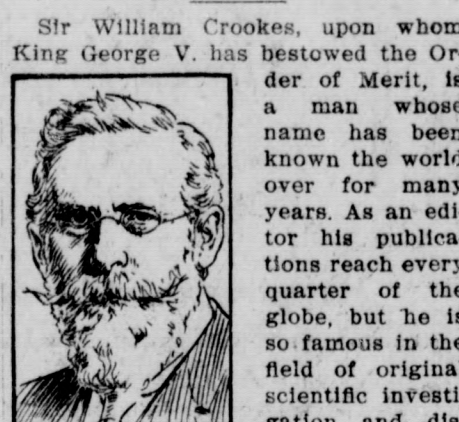
When there are two big chestnut trees standing within twenty feet of each other, each loaded with fruit, is a poor girl to think of dividing lines? Is she to remember that there is such a legal phrase as trespass? Must she hesitate over picking up the fattest and brownest? Not at all. Of course she skips from tree to tree and back again, and if thought of property rights enters her head at all she murmurs to herself that the law can go hang. If she were the daughter of a judge, as was the case in this instance, she would accompany the murmur with a defiant toss of the head.

The wind blew—the chestnuts rattled down—Miss Viola gathered and devoured. And then came the accident. In passing from tree to tree she caught her foot between two roots in such a way that she was held as fast as if caught in the "frog" of a railroad switch. It seemed a trifling thing at first, but after five minutes she had to realize that she was a prisoner until aid should come. Standing there, with a sapling for support, she uttered a very lady-like cry for help. Then she uttered another and another. It was forty rods to the house, and her father deaf in one ear. The falling chestnuts were peppering her hat, and the situation was looking serious, when a young man came into view.

He had a basket on his arm. He was also after chestnuts. He also had a club in his hand, as if expecting to find trespassers. He came around the corner of a thicket and halted within ten feet of the prisoner. She was on land that did not belong to her. She had gathered chestnuts belonging to some one else. In a hesitating way the young man removed his hat. In a hesitating way the young lady bowed.

"Well?" queried the young man.

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"Caught by the foot!" laughed the young lady.
"You are on my father's land."
"Yes? Then you must be the son of Colonel Spencer?"
"Yes, and you—?"
"Oh, I stop at Judge Cliff's. Funny how I got my foot caught. I guess you'll have to help me."
"H'm. You stop at Judge Cliff's, eh? You mean you are employed there?"
"That's it," answered Viola, realizing that her second-best clothes had deceived him.

"Parlor maid?"
"Sometimes, and sometimes assistant to the cook. They get all the work out of me they can."

"And the judge's daughter—she is home?"

"Yes, but I wish she weren't. She's snippy and bossy. She wants everything her own way. She had the furniture all changed about before she had been home an hour."

"I have heard that she is very good looking."

"Not nearly so good looking as I am. And she hasn't got my grit, either. If she were out here, caught by the foot, she'd be crying like a baby."

"Young lady you are pretty free with your criticisms," observed the young man as he tossed away his club.

"I'm glad you didn't hit me with that," was the reply. "If there's anything I hate it's to be walloped over the head with a club. Aren't you going to release me?"

"Of course."

"If it's any trouble to your lordship—"

He bent down and pried the roots apart and she was free. As he rose up he put on a stern look and said:

"You are a very, very impudent girl. I wonder that they keep you about the house."

"Oh, you do? Well, I can tell you. It's to give it tone. Did you ever see the judge's daughter?"

"A few times, at a distance, but we will not discuss her. I ought to confiscate your basket, as you are a trespasser, but you can take it and go. Don't break the law again."

"But when a gentleman has made a hero of himself by rescuing a young lady, even if she is an assistant cook, shouldn't he see her home? Shouldn't he walk beside her and be ready to catch her if she stumbles?"

"—I guess you will get along all right. You see—"

"Yes, your lordship, I see," finished the girl, and she picked up her basket and tripped away.

"Impudent—very, very impudent," muttered the young man as he watched her disappear.

And it was four weeks later that they faced each other in the judge's city residence, where young Mr. Spencer had dropped in with his parent to call on the father and be introduced to the daughter.

"Why—why—" began the young man, as he stared at the young lady before him.

"Why—why not?" she replied with a laugh. "You didn't hit me with that club, and you released me and didn't have me arrested, and even if you didn't see me home I'm charmed to meet you."

"Eh, eh? Something here, Billy," chuckled the father.

"Looks like it, Tom, old boy," was the reply.

And a long time later, when the colonel hinted to the judge that his son was going to call on him to ask a very delicate question, the judge smiled and answered:

"About chestnuts? It's an old thing, but we must have them in the family, Billy—we must have them."

The Game of Life.

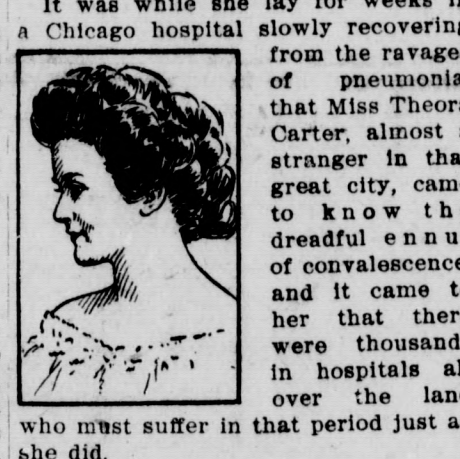
Life is a game, we say, and from time to time we urge one another to play the game fair and to a finish. In this reference, we must remember that the zest of a game consists in one's skill to overcome opposition. An opponent who falls to call forth our best endeavor deadens all interest in the sport, whatever it may be. A one-sided contest means lose playing and flagging zeal; on the other hand, the more skilled and alert an adversary, the more resourceful and aggressive our game. In the contests of life where there is no worthy competitor, there can be but slight achievement and little glory. The up-hill game, however, which is won through no adventitious aid of favor or of fortune, but solely upon its merits and by stubborn persistence, brings a glow of satisfaction which is wholly unknown in the triumph of an easy victory. We do not care to play with a novice, we demand the rigor of the game, and free scope for the display of our powers. It is possible, therefore, to meet the opposition which life holds for us, in the spirit of adventure, and, like the knights of old, ride forth to meet the foe with high hope and the joy of battle in our heart.—Atlantic Monthly.

The "Yankee" Lawyer of Nicaragua.

One of the classmates of President Taft at Yale is to be the next minister to Washington from Nicaragua. He is Senor David Arrellano, of Granada, one of the most prominent and wealthy lawyers of his country. Senor Arrellano is known as the "Yankee" lawyer of Nicaragua because he is the most thoroughly Americanized man in the country and speaks English with as great fluency as his native tongue. He is a man of great stature and weight and seldom walks when in his home city. After his graduation at Yale with Mr. Taft he took a law course at Harvard University and spent some time in New York in law offices.

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It was while she lay for weeks in a Chicago hospital slowly recovering from the ravages of pneumonia, that Miss Theora Carter, almost a stranger in that great city, came to know the dreadful ennui of convalescence, and it came to her that there were thousands in hospitals all over the land who must suffer in that period just as she did.



That is how the "Good Cheer Society" sprung to life. When Miss Carter recovered she returned to New York, then her home, and began to talk her plan for a Society of Good Cheer and Comfort to her wealthy and influential friends.

Humanity is, after all, quickly responsive to ideas of help that are practical, and Miss Carter's plan "took hold." With an enthusiastic band of her friends to second her efforts, the "Good Cheer Society" was organized, and not long after Miss Carter's return from Chicago, incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, with Miss Carter as president, Amelia Morrison as vice-president, and Margaret Ellen Ward as secretary.

Sixty was to have been the charter membership, but so much did the plan appeal to those who had heard of it and who had means and time to devote to the objects of the association, that this number was extended to 100. "Kindliness, companionship and sunshine are more to a sick man or woman than all the money in the world," Miss Carter said, in explaining the aims of the society, "and our members must be women who can give these out of a heart truly overflowing. They visit the sick—the least of these—taking flowers or books or something of like nature to brighten their days, and more than this they read and talk to the patients whose names have been given them by the secretary."

Though the society has been in existence only a short while, according to Human Life, it has proven so true to a need long unfulfilled that Miss Carter has now left the detail of the work to the other officers, and is engaged in organizing branches in Chicago, Washington, Seattle—her present home—and other large cities.

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Circumventing Cynthia

By NELLIE C. GILLMORE

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Davidson smothered an ejaculation, snapped his fingers and made a dash for the phone. Exchange refused stubbornly to answer and he jangled the bell peremptorily. At last he got a connection and stood waiting for the low, familiar "1303" to sound back over the line. After several minutes he was advised that 1303 was out of commission, and the receiver clashed ominously against the hook. "Something dreadful has happened." Thus had Cynthia expressed herself in the letter left on his desk less than ten minutes ago. Furthermore, she continued, "It is now quite out of the question for us ever to think of marrying. Please do not ask me for explanations, but believe that I am honest and quite right in taking this painful step. I know that your confidence in me is sufficient to warrant my asking it of you. Under separate cover, I am returning everything, including the engagement ring. Please do not attempt to see me or dissuade me, for it will be useless. I am sailing for Cuba with the Hartreys on Tuesday."

Davidson staggered back to his seat and re-read the lines in a half stupor. What was it all about? What could it be? Had Cynthia, after the irritating manner of engaged girls, dragged forth some obscure affair from the past? Was the dear girl laboring under a hallucination, or had "disinterested" friends sought to poison her innocent mind with vicious gossip? The questions flew through his mind in lightning panorama, bewildering, dazing, in turn, with their possible answer.

At last he drew up pen, ink and paper, and in sheer desperation, dashed down the following:

"Darling Cynthia: Your letter has shocked me beyond expression, and I refuse to be-



Re-read the Lines in a Half Stupor.

lieve in its seriousness. You are playing a practical joke on me, and perhaps even now are laughing at my plight and writing to make things clear!

"If, on the other hand, you are in earnest, then I demand an explanation as my right. Our relations have been too dear, too deep and sacred to allow of any such flippant and summary dismissal.

"Please indicate the time and place for an early meeting, and believe me, 'As always. JACK."

Davidson sealed, stamped, addressed and dispatched his letter within the following five minutes. Then he waited—exactly two hours—for a reply. It came, in a single line:

"My letter was final. Heartbrokenly. CYNTHIA."

Davidson ground his teeth savagely, turned white as a sheet and picked up his hat. It was just three-thirty—and Saturday. He would go straight to the Haskells' and have it out, face to face. But, half-way there, he recalled the fact, abruptly, that this was Cynthia's club day and she would not be at home. He recalled at the same instant, with a flash of inspiration, that she had said the meeting would be with Florence Greyson.

Ten minutes later Davidson occupied an inconspicuous seat in the corner of the park, seven squares uptown. Five minutes after that Cynthia, radiant in mauve chambray, rustled by, almost within touching distance of him. Her face was devoid of its usual delicate bloom and there were violet shadows under the brown eyes to match the violets drooping about the wide, soft brim of her hat.

Davidson rose, and without a word, matched his step with hers. "Let's come to the point at once, Cynthia," he began, gravely, ignoring her little exclamation of protest. "If there is anything wrong—"

"You mustn't ask me; indeed, you must not." And she shook her head violently, though her lips were trembling beyond control and her eyes were wistful with shadows.

Davidson bit his lips angrily. His voice was several shades deeper than Cynthia had ever heard it, when he spoke. "I was determined to see you, and drag the truth from you," he said, "deeming it my right to know, but—"

He paused and looked at her long and earnestly. "I've reached the conclusion that it is really better for me to go on in ignorance. I shall

re-enlist in the army and sail on the next transport for Manila."

"Jack!" The girl stopped short, every atom of color gone from her cheeks. "I won't—I won't hear of it!" The words choked in her throat and her eyes filled. Then, all at once, she pulled herself together and said, resolutely: "I shall tell you the whole truth, Jack. I had made up my mind to keep silent—from pride, with a great, big P. But—but—of course, I cannot let you go, believing me—I hardly know what, or what not. Last night I went into Martin's for supper with Fred Humphrey. At the table, just behind us, were a party of four—the Elwoods and the Thorpes. They were discussing our engagement, and one of the ladies sneeringly observed that it was well that the Davisons knew nothing of the fact that Mrs. Haskell's great uncle was a barber."

"Is that all?" Davidson heaved a prodigious sigh of relief. "Isn't it sufficient?"

"Hardly." "You don't understand, Jack. It seems an insignificant thing, but it is the keynote of an ever-widening circle in this narrow little social world of ours, and I—well, I did what I thought was best."

Davidson made a gesture of disgust. "What kind of love do you call that?" he demanded, curtly. "You give me up for good and all just because—"

"I loved you too much to bring anything disagreeable into your life," interposed Cynthia, gently.

Davidson burst into laughter. "You are a Quixotic little idiot, Cynthia. Here is your destination, by the way. Shall I wait around a couple of hours or come to the house at the usual time tonight?"

"Neither. I'll call you up at six." And with a backward smile she disappeared between the flaming beds of flowers.

Davidson returned to his office in a rejuvenated frame of mind. The entire day's work had been ruthlessly neglected and he applied himself diligently to the stack of mail on his desk. Six o'clock came even sooner than he expected, and when the bell over his shoulder gave a prolonged, imperative ring he jumped up eagerly.

The girl's first words stunned him. "Good-by," she said. "I'm leaving in fifteen minutes for New Orleans. The Hartreys sail from there on Tuesday, as I told you, and my passage is already engaged."

"My mind was made up, dear, and I didn't dare run the risk of letting you see me again. It—it is for the best, believe me."

Without comment Davidson calmly hung up the receiver. He jammed his hat over his eyes and ran down three flights of steps to the street. His runabout stood at the curb. He stepped in and whizzed off at speed limit toward the station.

Seven minutes later he was elbowing his way through the scurrying crowds toward the lady's waiting room. He found her at a news stand, glancing idly through a periodical.

"What do you mean by running away from me in this fashion?"

"Oh, Jack," she said, reproachfully, "why did you?"

"Because you are mine, and I've a perfect right—"

"I should have written to you and explained everything." The girl sat down weakly on the bench nearest her, her face ablaze with scarlet. "You can have no conception of the mortification I was forced to endure—should have had to endure always—"

"This doesn't sound like your old, practical, broad-minded self, Cynthia."

"It is a new side to me, the proud side, dear, which you've never had an opportunity of observing before."

"Pride be dashed. And—you'll never get aboard this train, Cynthia."

"Indeed?" Her black brows went up with a touch of challenge.

"Indeed. I'm going to prove to you how utterly ridiculous your theory is. Would you send me away if you knew my ancestors were plain people?"

"Certainly not."

"But you are relieving me of the burden of yourself—"

"Oh! But the way they said it, Jack—a barber!"

Under cover of the dusk Davidson slipped a surreptitious arm about her waist. "My grandfather was a butcher!" he said, happily.

And Cynthia tore up her ticket.

Too Smart.

B. Davis Noxon was one of the ablest lawyers in central New York. A young man entered his office as a student and was given Blackstone to study. At the end of a month he asked Mr. Noxon what he should read next. "Do you understand Blackstone?" "Yes," was his answer. "Read Kent," was the order. In another month he announced that he had finished Kent, and "What next?" "Have you read Blackstone and Kent?" "Yes." "Do you understand them?" "Yes." "Well," said Mr. Noxon, "you had better go at some other business, as you are too smart to be a lawyer."—Case and Comment.

Quite Enough.

"Oh, sir, will you please come at once. There's three brutes jumping on a poor organ grinder."

"Is he a big organ grinder?" queried the old gentleman, calmly.

"No, no, sir, quite a little man. Oh, come at once, or it will be too late!" "I don't see why I should interfere," replied the old gentleman. "If he's a small man the three men don't need any help."—Tit-Bits

TIMELY SUGGESTIONS THAT WILL HELP THE HOSTESS

A Cup and Saucer Shower.

A charming entertainment was given recently for a December bride-to-be. The hostess enclosed a pink card board heart with her invitations, tied with a knot of pink baby ribbon put through a hole pinched in the center of the heart. She asked each guest to write an appropriate sentiment on it, either original or quoted, and return it tied to the handle of the teacup to be presented. All to be sent to the home of the hostess before the day of the party.

When the guests assembled at three in the afternoon they gazed upon a perfect wilderness of pink hearts. All portieres and draperies had disappeared and in their place were delightfully pretty curtains made of pink hearts strung on baby ribbon. The lace curtains were veiled in hearts, quantities fluttered from gas jets and chandeliers. The stair banisters were covered and made a fine background for the rose colored love symbols. After the exclamations of surprise subsided, heribbioned hearts with pink pencils attached were passed, the hostess explaining that the conglomeration of words (twenty-five in all) would tell the contents of the bride's trousseau when properly put together. All worked busily for twenty minutes, then rewards were given to the fortunate and unfortunate ones, consisting of a hat pin, needle book and card case. Then the hostess led the way to the dining room, where the bride-elect was given the place of honor in a great high back chair at the head of the table, her bridesmaids handed her the shower cups and saucers, from which she read the verses inscribed on each card. Heart shaped cakes, chocolate and a dainty apricot ice served in heart ice cups, surrounded with tissue paper petals to look like a pink rose, were the refreshments with hearts shaped candies. Every one said it was the prettiest affair of the season.

Decoration for a Holiday Wedding.

Turn an upright piano with the back to the front of the room massing ferns and palms on either side. Festoon with smilax and place cathedral candles with tall bouquets on either end. This gives a most satisfactory altar effect for a home wedding. Light the rooms with candles; have a number of holders made some three, four and five feet in height, place tall candles in them. Use smaller candlesticks on the mantles and on the top of book cases. From the doors and windows suspend bells, stars and wreaths of green tied with broad red satin ribbon or scarlet and green gauze.

For the favors at the bridal table have white or red satin bell-shaped candy boxes tied with ribbon and sprays of holly and mistletoe. These will hold wedding cake or bonbons. Have the table decorations all of holly, using cut glass candlesticks with

red shades. Sprinkle the table and holly with diamond dust. The ices may be in shape of a star surrounded by a wreath of holly. For the souvenirs for the bridal party have pins made to represent holly leaves in shape of a wreath. This is done by clever enameling.

A Sale for Dolly.

A club composed of ten girls from the ages of ten to fifteen, managed and made ready this bazaar which they gave for a charity devoted to children. The affair was given in the afternoon at the home of one of the members, the room was arranged like a department store, with all articles belonging to dolls most attractively displayed. Now that there are patterns for dolls so that complete wardrobes may be made, the girls found it great fun to make the clothes, hats, muffs, etc., and orders were taken for all articles for doll houses, such as sheets, pillow cases, even with the doll's monogram embroidered, wee towels, wash cloths, etc. The mothers and big sisters of the girls served light refreshments or rather donated them and the girls served. Quite a sum was realized and the girls had a fine time many weeks before in happy anticipation and preparation.

A Japanese Tea.

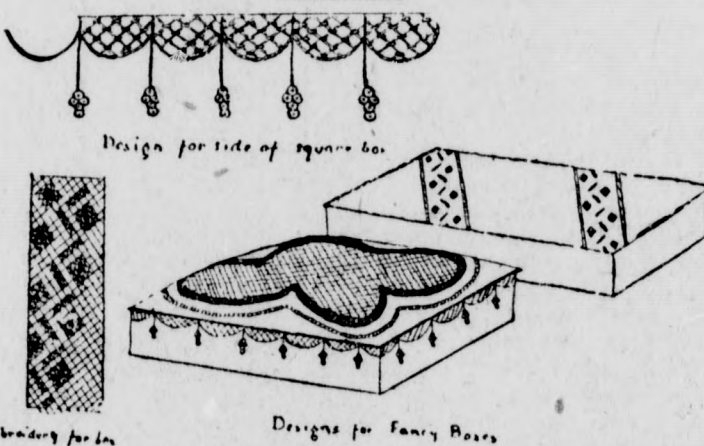
Nothing makes a more effective decoration than Japanese lanterns, parasols and fans. By stretching cords from the four corners of the room to the center chandelier and hanging lanterns of varied size and shape from them, a very striking overhead effect is gained at very small expense and labor. A good sized Japanese umbrella with tiny lanterns suspended from every rib is also very pretty. Chrysanthemums, mustard and cherry blossoms are the favored flowers, they may be made of tissue paper, if not in season. The iris or common "flag" is a Japanese flower, also the lotus which resembles our water lily. The Japanese flag in silk may be purchased by the dozen at small cost, and one given each just makes an appropriate souvenir. Serve tea in cups without handles—to be truly "Japanese." To give novelty to this "tea," here is a recipe for a Japanese salad:

Select even sized beets, boil until tender, scrape off the skin, hollow out the center with a spoon. Stand in weak vinegar on ice for two hours. Cut boiled potatoes and celery into dice, chop pecan nuts and a few sprigs of parsley, season these with a few drops of onion juice, salt and paprika. Fill the beet cups with this mixture, put a spoonful of mayonnaise dressing on top and serve on head lettuce.

Candied ginger and orange peel should be passed. Rice or fish is also correct if one desires either of these dishes. The hostesses should wear kimonos with the hair loaded with ornaments.

MADAME MERRI.

Fancy Boxes



ONE of the chief characteristics of modern dress is the extraordinary number of trifles by which it is supplemented. No woman who values her appearance, and wishes to be well dressed, can contrive to do without them. Collars, ribbons, laces, veils, handkerchiefs, gloves, all play a more or less important role as adjuncts to the toilet, and all are indispensable. But, unfortunately, as our list of requirements gets larger and larger, so do houses and flats display a decided tendency to grow smaller and smaller, and how and where to dispose of her many belongings is a problem which faces many a girl as she looks round a small bedroom, which she is obliged, very possibly, to share with a sister. In such a case she will find it the wisest, as well as the tidiest, plan to keep all these multifarious odds and ends in separate boxes, which need not necessarily be unornamental, but which clever fingers may easily convert into things of beauty.

Cardboard boxes of various shapes and sizes are quite easy to obtain. Those in which shoes and corsets have been sent home will prove exceedingly useful. The covering of these with chintz, muslin or silk is not at all a difficult matter, and they can be transformed into remarkably pretty articles, which may not only ornament the maker's own particular sanctum, but be given away as very welcome presents.

To cover a cardboard box it must, first of all, be taken to pieces, carefully slit along at the corners, keeping the edges thus made as smooth and even as possible. The material is then cut out, each piece being twice the size that it is intended to cover, and half-an-inch being allowed for turnings. It will be found easiest in all probability to double the material before cutting it out. If, however, the box is to be lined with a different material from the cover, lay the material and the lining one on top of the other, and cut to the shape and size required, allowing half-an-inch all round for turnings, as before. Fold the material carefully round the cardboard, arrange the turnings, and then neatly oversew the two edges together with strong thread. When all the pieces are carefully covered, sew them together firmly, according to the original shape of the box, with over-sewing. The lid may be fastened by oversewing along one side, or, if preferred, hinges may be made of ribbon, by means of which it is attached to the back of the box. A layer of wadding placed on the lid helps to give a slightly padded effect to the material, which greatly improves its appearance. The box may then be edged all round with fine cord or very narrow passementerie, which will cover all the seams and give a neatness and finish which is sometimes greatly needed.

YOUTH EMULATES THE LARK

Follows Literally Instructions of His Father and Sits on Stile and Sings Blithely.

The old farmer came in from milking and found his son dreaming, with the bright sun shining on his pillow. "Boy," he shouted sternly, "this is no time to be sleeping! After this you must get up with the lark."

"All right, dad," yawned the youngster, "after this I will."

The next morning the old farmer came in from his milking and found his son sitting on the stile singing as blithely as if there was no such thing as work.

"Why, boy," stormed the exasperated sire, "this is worse than sleeping! What do you mean by loafing on that stile and singing at the top of your voice?"

The lad grinned. "Well, dad, you told me to be like the lark, and that's all he does when he gets up early."

Changes of Time.

Ashley—it is wonderful how some people are changed by time. There's Doofer, for instance; I remember when he was unable to keep a single job—all his employers fired him just as soon as they possibly could. But for the last five years he has been working steadily. He is employed by a man who refuses to let him leave for any cause whatever. Several times Doofer has attempted to get away, but on each occasion the employer has headed him off and made him come back.

Seymour—Who is the employer? Ashley—Mr. Lockhart, the warden of the penitentiary.

HE'D BE FAR AWAY.



The Old Man (very much excited)—Officer! Officer! There's a great big sailor murdering a man around the corner.

Policeman—Much obliged for the tip. I'll be out of this neighborhood in about a minute.

Wit and Wisdom.

Bjornstjerne Bjornson, in his hotel (fronting the Tuilleries gardens, received a few friends up to the last in Paris," said the continental agent of a typewriter firm.

"I had the honor to be among those friends, and I never wearied of the great Norwegian's wit and wisdom."

"The last thing he said to me, in cautioning me not to give an important provincial agency to an easy-going man of the world, was this:

"Beware of the easy-going man. An easy-going man, you know, is one who makes the path of life very rough and difficult for somebody else."

Less Risk.

"So," said the brilliant attorney, as he swung around in his office chair and faced the youth just outside the railing, "you want to study law, do you?"

"No, I can't say that I do," replied the youth, "but I guess I'll have to."

"Why do you think you'll have to?" queried the legal light.

"Well," answered the youngster, "it's like this: I wanted to be a burglar, but my folks wouldn't stand for it. They said by posing as a lawyer I'd get as much coin without taking any chances. See?"

Satisfied.

Inquisitive Press Representative (to stage doorkeeper)—And do you happen to know the identity of that heavily veiled lady who is seen so frequently in the famous actor's company?

Doorkeeper—Well, it just depends on how you mean. You see, on the boards she is the daughter; in private life she's his mother!—Liverpool Mercury.

Never Touched Her.

"My dear," said the long-suffering husband, "we could soon own our own home if you were not so extravagant."

"Yes, but what would be the use?" rejoined his alleged better half. "If we owned our home it would be only a matter of time until we'd have to sell it to pay the mortgage on it."

The Limit.

Bingles—They say old Skidem is awfully stingy.

Bangles—Stingy! Why, he's so stingy he wouldn't even give a drowning man a drink of water.

Naturally.

"That copper made me see stars."

"How?"

"He hit me with his night stick."

ORATOR MADE GOOD

WAXES DESPERATE WHEN HIS AUDIENCE SNORES.

Forsaking Notes of Polished Speech, Embryo Webster Wakes Up Sleeping Convention and Sits Down Feeling He "Arrived."

There is a young politician in a New York town who has aspirations as an orator—and what young politician has not? Though still in the pinfeather stage of that art, he considers himself sufficiently near perfection in originality of thought and fluency of expression to seize every chance to harangue anything that can be compelled to listen to him. Recently a convention for local nominations of the party to which the young fellow belonged was held in the town hall.

One of the aspirants for the office of justice of the peace was then incumbent, and, after much persuasion, he permitted the embryo Webster to place his name in nomination. For several nights before the convention met the orator sat up late, polishing off this nominating speech, inserting a simile here, tacking on a trope there, and sticking metaphors into whatever clinks he could find to stick them.

When the hour for nominations came he arose, made his way with impressive slowness to the platform, drank about a gallon of water with becoming dignity, and launched into the oration in that soft, low tone your real orator knows so well how to assume. Then he warmed up and commenced throwing a few figures of speech at the convention, but the convention merely yawned in a bored manner, and turned around and talked to the man behind it; then the orator lightly tossed over a bright little verse from a minor poet, but the convention merely stretched resignedly and pulling a chunk of navy plug out of his hip pocket, consoled himself with a chew.

Then the orator, waxing desperate, flung all his rhetorical ammunition in a lump at its head, whereupon most of the convention snored. At last, disgusted, the orator, forsaking his notes, rushed forward to the end.

"And, finally, I wish to say to you, gentlemen of the convention," he concluded, "that the man I have just put in nomination for justice of the peace has for the past two years filled that same position with an ability and honesty that has been a continued rebuke to his enemies and astonishment to his friends!"

And as the old building rocked under the yells that greeted this wind-up, the orator sat down, feeling that he had at length "arrived."

Is This a "Frame-Up?"

One of the new hat shops in the loop district has for its centerpiece and consuming attraction a pretty cashier. She is perhaps no more lovely than some of the other change-makers in barber shops, restaurants, and the like, but it is the manner in which she is "staged" that makes her most striking. Her booth commands the store from every direction, and at no time is the customer out of the influence of her radiant features. Instead of being caged she is "framed" like a picture.

Many impressionable young fellows have been made to make purchases in the store in a sort of trance. Instead of being critical and antagonistic to the salesman's taste and suggestions, they have accepted the first "lid" offered them quite readily, walking out with the hasty purchase buoyed up by a last glance at the vision in the "frame." Although the young woman is not a distinguished mathematician, the management is said to value her services highly.

Sacrifice to Art.

"Which tooth?" inquired the man of forceps grimly.

"Any one you like," responded the victim calmly, "so long as it's a front one."

"But—" began the astounded dentist.

"Hurry up!" thundered the visitor. With bleeding heart the operator hitched his forceps on to a bit of absolutely sound ivory, dragged his patient three times round the room, and—

"Hey, presto!" smiled the dentist. "It's out! But will you be so good as to tell me why on earth you wanted a sound tooth extracted?"

"By all means," responded the patient. "You see, I'm an actor, and I have to take a part where the thespian lispeth. At first I couldn't thapther it, but now I'm thure it'll be a thimply threathing thuchtheth!"

In the Name of Patriotism.

In the smoking room of the Knickerbocker an Englishman and an American were advocating the claims of their respective countries.

"I remember," said the American, "when I was in Cincinnati we planted a small rose bush one morning, and in the afternoon a large bush had come up, off which we gathered a score of full-blown roses."

"Oh, that's nothing," retalled the Britisher. "Why, I recollect burying a cat in our back yard one day, and in about an hour a sanitary inspector came up!"

The One Thing Necessary.

"Has little Mrs. R. consoled herself over her husband's death yet?"

"Oh, no; not yet. You know what a long time these insurance companies take to pay!"—Simpleximus.

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The man who has killed himself on Monday would on Saturday have wanted to live; but one only kills one's self once. Man's life is made up of past, present and future; so life must be a burden to him. If not for the past, the present and the future at least for the present and the future. If it is only a burden for the present he is sacrificing the future. The evils of one day do not authorize him to sacrifice the life that is ahead of him. Only the man whose life is unhappy and who could have the certainty—which is impossible—that it will always be so, and that conditions and desires will never change, either through modification of circumstances and situations or through habit and the lapse of time—which again is impossible—only this man would have the right to kill himself.—Napoleon Bonaparte.

A Builder of Homes.

At a dinner given by the agricultural publishers of America in Chicago a few weeks ago, one of the principal speakers was Prof. Hugh G. Van Pelt, the Iowa dairy expert, who took for his subject "The Economic Value of Dairy Farming." He summed up the whole proposition at the close of a splendid address in these words: "To recapitulate, the dairy cow is a source of large, regular and sure profits, a conservator and restorer of soil fertility and a builder of homes."—Town and Country Journal.

Curious Oath.

In the second oath administered to a man about to take his seat in the supreme court of the United States he swears among other things, "to do equal right to the poor and to the rich." It has been in the oaths from the beginning of the government, and must have been fashioned for the express purpose of assuring the poor that they should have justice in the highest tribunal of the land. The terms used are good plain English and easily understood.

Cock Fighting in Mexico.

In the smaller towns and villages of Mexico the cock fight still holds its own in the hearts of the populace, and no fair or public festival is complete without its cock-pit, which is generally well advertised and made one of the attractions of the festival. At these festivals, as in the olden days, betting is still a feature of the sport, and often much money changes hands.

The Formula.

Willis—"So the play will appeal to all classes?" Gillis—"Yes, indeed, it's three-quarters full of up-to-date slang to catch the young people, and one-quarter full of old, reliable cuss words to get the old fellows."—Puck.

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The natives of Alaska are dying at a greater rate than any other primitive race with which civilized man has come in contact.

Sweden's Church Boat.

The church boat is a popular institution in Sweden. It brings families to service from the farms around Lake Siljan to Leksand. The water route is the nearest and most convenient, and so the big boat goes from farm to farm along the shore picking up the church-goers, who later return by the same route.—Wide World Magazine.

For Blunted Scissors.

When your scissors become blunted and require sharpening, take an ordinary knife, upon which place the scissors as if in the act of cutting. By drawing the steel along the blades in this manner several times, you will bring your scissors again into good condition.

The Last Word.

"When he found he would have to pay alimony he withdrew his suit; said if he had to support her he might as well live with her." "Yes, and she snapped back that he might make up his mind that if he was going to live with her he might just as well support her."

Copenhagen's Deer Park.

Copenhagen, Denmark, has the largest park of any city in the world. Its area is about 4,200 acres.

Origin of Fairy Tales.

Fairy tales are made out of the dreams of the poor.—Lowell.

A Cough Medicine

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Internals of Ocean Greyhound.
In a big Atlantic liner there are over one thousand tons of piping of various kinds. The boiler tubes if placed end to end would stretch about ten miles, the condenser-tubes over twenty-five miles. The condensers pump up more than fifty thousand tons of water a day, and the furnaces consume about eight million cubic feet of air per hour. No fewer than 50,000 separate pieces of steel are used in the main structure of the ship.

The Mother-Friend.
"It's no good explaining to you, mother, for you wouldn't understand," said a little girl patiently to her mother, when the latter was asking why and wherefore. Every mother can understand if she tries, and become a privileged member of the children's kingdom without losing any of her authority and dignity as a parent, and the mother-friend is generally adored by her own as well as other people's little ones.

Editor Waxen Sarcastic.
A Kansas editor sarcastically announces that he wants to buy a sack of flour, a pair of three-ply-button trousers, and a straw hat, and that he is ready to receive bids on the same. He says that is the way the merchants do when they want two dollars' worth of job work.—Atchison Globe.

Stimulated Interest.
Harlow—"Jimson seems to have a wonderful amount of adaptability." Barlow—"You bet he has. Why, I once saw him get excited over a game of chess."

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Protect the Hay.

If you have saved a fine crop of hay—which, by the way, is going to be scarce this year—and have no room for it in the barn, better invest in some canvas stack covers. They will pay for themselves in one or two seasons when hay is high. Any farmer who has an abundance of corn and roughage can make money by buying stock mules in the large markets and feeding them over winter. They should be allowed to run loose in roomy barns or sheds and never confined in stalls as are horses.

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The small farm is the hope of the country. Small farms, well tilled, mean large barns well filled. We need an intensified agriculture to increase our yield and make farms more profitable. There are a few men with enough executive ability to manage a large farm profitably, but the average man would succeed better upon a small farm. Profits are usually proportional to the acreage yield.

It is poor policy to spend the time during the bright fall days sawing wood for next summer. That is a good job for stormy days in the shelter of the wood house.

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Impression of New York.
They say the New York skyline is changing every day. We do not know, but it seems to us that everything else there is getting higher every hour.—Charleston News and Courier.

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A combination baby carriage and crib invented by a Michigan man has wheels that are easily detached when it is used for the latter purpose.

"Any particular brand?" said the man. "Yes," said I, "the particular brand, Old Kid Edge, and make it rye." And when I got it I went away happy.

Atrociously Cruel Sport.
Some people have queer ideas of sport. In Vale of Leven it seems to be considered good fun to tie a live rat to the foot of a seagull and allow the pair to fight for the mastery. One poor bird was found hopping near the water's edge the other day hitched to a carcass which must have been at least six weeks old.—London Mail.

One of the most important things in successfully feeding hogs is never to mix sizes in the same pasture or feed lot. This is one advantage in having the pigs come at as nearly the same time as possible.—Pacific Farmer.

Every farmer should provide an abundance of pasture for his cattle by sowing some grasses. There are many kinds of grass which make good pasture, but clover is the best, at least for milk production.

An old scarey hen is an abomination on anybody's place.

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In winter, it is hard to get fresh air in certain rooms. Some rooms in a house are usually colder than others, and if you open the windows it is hard again to heat the room properly.

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Neat Rebuke.
The anecdote is still told in Vermont of the reply which Mrs. Chittenden, the governor's wife, made to some squeamish visitors who objected to meeting the farmhands at dinner. "We usually all dine together," said the first lady of Vermont, "but I really think there should be two tables set—the first for the farmhands, because they have been working very hard and must be very hungry, and the second for the rest of us, who can very well wait."

Cautious in His Answer.
Uncle George Snow, an old antebellum negro, was giving testimony. The counsel asked Uncle George which side of Souchatouchee Creek he lived on, to which he replied: "Which side of the creek do I live on, boss?" "Yes." "Gwine up or down the creek, boss?"

Handicap of the Uneducated.
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AND

PETITION FOR THE INCORPORATION OF
"DALY CITY."

To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California.

The undersigned, your petitioners, respectfully represent and show:

That they are more than fifty in number, that each of them is a qualified elector of the County of San Mateo and a bona fide resident within the limits of that portion of said county for the incorporation of which petitioners herein and hereby petition; that all of the tract of land hereinafter described is situated within and part of the County of San Mateo, and that the same is not, nor is any part thereof, within the limits of, or incorporated as, a municipal corporation; that the proposed boundaries of said city are set forth and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at the point where the Easterly line of the Rancho Lakuna de la Merced intersects the dividing line between the County of San Mateo and the City and County of San Francisco, and running thence Easterly along said dividing line to the intersection thereof by the Easterly boundary of the tract known as the "WEST END HOME-STEAD," thence Southwesterly along the Easterly boundary of said WEST END HOME-STEAD TRACT to the Southeast corner, and angle, of the tract, and thence in a direct line to the Northerly corner of the Southeast boundary line of the tract known as "CONCORDIA LAND COMPANY'S PROPERTY" (which boundary line crosses, and passes, East of, and Henry Streets in said tract in a Northwesterly and Southwesterly direction); thence Southwesterly along the Southeast boundary of said tract to the Southerly end of said boundary (at the point where said boundary of the tract following same Southwesterly first changes to a course more closely approaching West than South); thence in a direct line Southwesterly to the point of intersection of the Northerly line of Price Street with the Easterly boundary of Block Twenty-five (25), of the land known as the ABBEY HOME-STEAD TRACT, at the Southeast corner (and angle) of said BLOCK; thence Westwesterly along said line of Price Street to the Easterly line of the nearest Main County Road; thence Northwesterly along said line of said main County Road to the point at which the Northerly line of School Street, extended in its own direction Easterly, would intersect said Easterly line of said Main County Road; thence directly to and along the Northerly line of School Street Westwesterly to the Southwest corner of the land known as "THORNTON TRACT," thence due North to the point of beginning. ALL tracts, courses, distances and bearings according to the present Official Map of San Mateo County prepared by J. V. NEUMAN, C. E., and County Surveyor of said County wherever and in so far as shown thereon. That Petitioners desire and ask that said Municipal Corporation have, bear and be given the name "DALY CITY," and further state and show that the number of inhabitants in such proposed boundaries is stated to be, and the same is, Twenty-nine Hundred (2,900), in fact and as nearly as may be.

WHEREFORE, said Petitioners pray that the aforesaid portion of said County of San Mateo may be incorporated as a Municipal Corporation with and under said name, DALY CITY, under the provisions of, and as provided by, the Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ORGANIZATION, INCORPORATION AND GOVERNMENT OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS," approved March 13, 1883, and the Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto.

DATED at Vista Grande, San Mateo County, California, December 13, A. D. 1910.

Tim P. O'Rourke, J. L. Brown, William Marshall Talbott, Walter J. White, Thos. R. Bowie, Geo. J. Doering, Abraham Black, A. Schluter, William Ehlert, Chas. A. Johnson, H. H. Smith, John Scoble, Johannes Gustaf Johnson, Wm. Flaherty, H. Kiehorn, Ellis C. Johnson, (Dr.) P. D. Rowland, Lewis W. Stark, Oscar Rothman, Wm. J. C. Goldkuhl, Julius Nelson, George Panagiotaras, Frank R. Sampson, Emanuel Espinoza, Henry Markgraf, Leo Brodek, E. A. Pfuhl, H. F. Secor, Wm. F. Strand, Martin Z. Oberhaus, Otto Oshinghaus, John Cuneo, Gustav Koss, Edward Richard Poor, H. E. Zimmerman, Herman J. Heuer, P. Keller, M. J. Moreno, D. Fraser, Edward Weber, Gust Soderblom, Fred J. Hopper, C. A. Kirkpatrick, J. Panella, C. E. Paustian, J. Dart, W. J. Sweeney, R. E. Dunstan, E. Squier, C. W. Butler, T. J. Mullins, J. H. Parker, Chas. M. Shoup, Jas. O'Brien, Carl G. Olson, John Benja. A. Botteron, A. J. Green, Gustav Schenk, Chas. R. Ray, E. Court, Timothy Sheehan, J. Jones, John Rohrer, E. A. Collins, Chas. L. Biebel, Willard McKay, F. B. Woodhouse, John Miller, A. S. Rovigno, Adolph Klapholz, Adolph Frey, Herbert Thomas, S. E. Sanders, Wm. Schauer, E. M. Tabbets, R. R. Castle, J. E. Rackaby, F. Michelsen, H. Elmers, Henry E. Puket.

State of California, County of San Mateo.

T. J. Mullins, William Marshall Talbott and Chas. William Butler, being each severally first duly sworn, each for himself and not for another, depose and say: That he is one of the signers of, and petitioners named in, the foregoing petition; that he has read the said petition and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of his own knowledge except as to the matters therein stated and purporting to be stated on information or belief; and that, as to those matters, he believes it to be true; and, further, that he is familiar with said district and its boundaries, and is well acquainted with the inhabitants thereof, and personally acquainted with each and every of the above named Petitioners and their several signatures, and he actually saw each said Petitioner subscribe his name to said petition, and he knows and therefore avers the fact to be that each said Petitioner is now, and he was at the time he signed said petition, a qualified elector of said County and a bona fide resident within the limits proposed for said Municipal Corporation in said petition; and that the portion of said County in said petition proposed to be incorporated contains within its limits less than

three thousand (3,000) and more than twenty-five hundred (2,500) inhabitants.

T. J. MULLINS,
CHAS. WILLIAM TALBOTT,
JOHN J. FITZGERALD,
JOHN J. FITZGERALD, Notary Public.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday the 16th day of January, A. D. 1911, and at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. thereof, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the foregoing Petition and Affidavit and this Notice will be presented to the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, in regular meeting of said Board then assembled at the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors of said County of San Mateo, in the Court House of said County in Redwood City, County of San Mateo, State of California.

DATED December 19, A. D. 1910.
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Real Courtesy.

"Say," said our Country Cousin, "you was wrong when you said that Mr. Bjones wouldn't have time to talk to me. Why, he hadn't read that letter of interduccion you gave me half through before he told me to call again. Yes, sir, he seemed to want me to come and see him real often. While I was explainin' who I was, he invited me to call again at least six times. And I'll bet I wasn't there more'n an hour!"

Liberia.

Liberia, the West African negro republic, was founded mainly through the efforts of American quakers, organized under the title of the Pennsylvania Colonist society. The chief bar to the development of Liberia is a law by which white men are not allowed to hold property in the country. Capital has, therefore, gone elsewhere and Liberia possesses none of the resources of modern civilization.

Anxious Father's Advertisement.

A Frenchman's advertisement, in a Boston paper, ran in the following singular strain: "Lost, last evening, a child about five years old; whoever will return him to his home, in Fore street, shall be handsomely rewarded by his afflicted father, Jean Baptiste, who likewise deals in French brandy."—From a London Newspaper, 1807.

Countries Much Alike.

Victoria, the Australian province, has often been compared with California, and, indeed, is almost a duplicate in nearly every respect of this state, the Murray valley, which contains the bulk of the irrigable country, being remarkably similar to the Sacramento valley.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Wrinkles Come With Age.

Wrinkles of all sorts increase the degradation of beauty. A healthy child has no wrinkles. Observe how a grown person's forehead wrinkles up when he is giving attention or thinking hard. A child's forehead remains quite smooth in the same circumstances.

Just Had to Do It.

"See here," said the judge to the garrulous prisoner who was acting as his own attorney, "you'll have to cut out those interruptions. I won't allow you to waste the time of the court." "But, your honor," rejoined the prisoner, "what else can I do? I've got no lawyer to do it for me."

A Contemporary Opinion of Byron.

These poems ("Hours of Idleness") completely prove, that although George Gordon, Lord Byron, a minor, whose portrait we give, may be a gentleman, an orator, or a statesman, unless he improves wonderfully, he can never be a poet.—From the Satirist, London, 1807.

Above All Others.

The deepest coal mine is near Lambert, Belgium, 3,500 feet deep; the deepest dock is at Cardiff, Wales, and the strongest electric light is at the Sydney Lighthouse, Australia; while the largest lighthouse is at Cape Henry, Virginia, being 165 feet high.

A Hard Case.

She—"Don't you want to be an angel?" He—"Well, I don't know. It must be considerable of a strain on an angel to keep his halo on."—Somerville Journal.

Subjects of National Interest Now Under Discussion

Washington.—All records will be broken when the present House of Representatives scores a total of approximately 35,000 public and private bills introduced up to its close on March 4 next. This is a leap of more than 7,000 over the record established by the last Congress, the Sixtieth. These figures are exclusive of resolutions, which so far in the three sessions of the present Congress have numbered 883 simple resolutions, 278 joint resolutions and 56 concurrent.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Edward R. Wright and Clarence J. Roberts to be Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of New Mexico and Cornelius D. Murane to be United States Judge for the district of Alaska, Division No. 2.

The offer of the United States Government to take the body of Senor Don Anibal Cruz, Chilean Minister to this country, to Chile on an American war ship was formally accepted by Senor Yoacham, Charge d'Affaires of the Chilean Legation.

The contract for supplying the heavy pumping machinery for the naval dry docks at New York, Bremerton and Pearl Harbor was awarded to the Alberger Pump Company of New York at their bid of \$323,000.

In the fifty-fourth Congress, 10,000 bills introduced outdistanced all other records. This was raised by a thousand a little later and four years ago the House files were flooded with 11,000 bills. During the two preceding sessions of this Congress 27,264 bills were presented, and up to today the present session has registered 3,011. A flood of measures probably will be introduced in the few days following

the reassembling of Congress on January 5, and then the tide will recede.

Representative Morrison of Indiana has introduced a bill in the House to provide a service pension to Civil war survivors of the navy and marine corps. It is to be paid on the basis of 50 cents each month for every month the survivor served in the Civil war, and it is to be in addition to any disability pension now paid.

The contract for building the 27,000-ton battleship Texas for \$5,830,000 was awarded to the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, the lowest bidder.

The bill to organize the naval militia on a basis similar to that prescribed for the national guard of the several States was favorably acted upon by the House committee on naval affairs. The bill was reported back to the House with a recommendation for its passage.

California postmasters appointed: Hornbrook, Siskiyou county, Davis C. Earhart, vice A. E. Coyle, removed; Santee, San Diego county, Franklin B. Holder, vice F. A. Barrett, resigned.

Approximately 9280 acres of land in Oregon and 1600 acres in New Mexico recently have been designated by Secretary of the Interior Ballinger under the provisions of the enlarged homestead act, as not being susceptible of successful irrigation. These changes bring the total of New Mexico designations to date to 15,952,029; Oregon, 11,090,320.

The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce decided to report favorably to the Senate the names of C. C. McChord of Kentucky and B. H. Meyer of Wisconsin to be members of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Tons of Red-Hot Bricks Tumble on Twenty-Six Firemen

Chicago.—A fire that started early Thursday morning caused the death of the Fire Chief of this city, his assistant and twenty-four other firemen.

The fire began in a high beef warehouse and the high winds swept the flames into the packing plants of the Union stock yards. The sweep of the flames was directly towards the vast storehouse containing millions of dollars' worth of finished packing house products. A general alarm was sent in by the first company arriving on the scene and this was followed at intervals of only a few minutes by successive alarms, which brought forty-five engines, twenty hose trucks and a reserve force of 200 firemen to take the place of exhausted fire fighters.

The great loss of life, while primarily due to the falling walls, is said to-night to be due to insufficient water pressure. Firemen first on the scene say that a few well-directed streams would have conquered the flames early, but the water only trickled through the nose. Coroner Hoffman

has sworn in a jury to determine whether any person was to blame for the lack of proper pressure.

At a time when the firemen were exerting every effort, there came the roar of an explosion from somewhere inside the furnace. The east wall puffed out like a swollen cheek, tottered as if shaken by an earthquake and crumpled up like a house of cards.

Tons of red-hot bricks, mighty beams and girders tumbled down on the canopy. In much less time than it takes to tell the canopy above and the floor of the leading platform became splintered temporarily and the helmets of fire fighters.

Throughout the day the vicinity of the fire was thronged with relatives and friends, all anxious for news of some loved one. Wives, mothers, children, sweethearts were there, and scenes too pitiful to relate were enacted. Closely cordoned, the police held in check the crowd or tenderly led away some shrieking woman maddened by her loss.

More White People Needed for Island of Hawaii

San Francisco.—To stimulate the immigration of thrifty European home-seekers, the Department of Commerce and Labor of the Hawaiian Islands will charter a steamer to carry immigrants from Salina Cruz to Honolulu free of charge. The other purpose of the department is to discourage the influx of Asiatics.

Dr. V. S. Clark, who has charge of the Territorial Bureau of Immigration, arrived here on the steamer Sierra, and during his visit to this city will proceed to make arrangements to secure the vessel needed. Clark claims that under present conditions it is next to impossible to secure the class of immigrants needed on the islands. "We, in Hawaii, believe," said Clark, "that the completion of the Panama

Canal will be the making of Hawaii and the proposition now to be undertaken simply means that we are taking the initiative and preparing for the future of a country that needs but fair development and a few more people of thrift and industry to make it one of the most prosperous places under the American flag."

Clark also said that Chief Immigration Commissioner Daniel Keefe, now in the islands, is arranging a system whereby the influx of Asiatic paupers and undesirables into the Pacific Coast States can be much restricted.

The Controller of the Currency has received the application of F. W. Postkett, John Sutton, M. N. Breckenridge, W. L. Brown and J. V. Enloe to organize the First National Bank of Concord, Cal., with a capital of \$25,000.

Committee Reports Benefit of Explosion Sufferers

Los Angeles.—The joint committee in charge of the distribution of the relief fund contributed to the aid of the relatives of the victims of the destruction of the building of the Los Angeles Times on the morning of October 1st, made a final report to the Mayor, showing the disbursement of \$76,430.39.

Of this sum \$4200 was paid out for temporary relief, twenty-one persons receiving an advance of \$200 each;

\$34,718.37 was paid to sixteen widows and parents, in sums running from \$997.65 to \$2992.96. Dependent parents received a total of \$6484.74 in five sums ranging from \$498.82 to \$1995.31, and sixteen minor children received a total of \$31,027.28.

The smallest sum paid to a minor child was \$997.65, while Edward A. Jordan, 1 year old, received \$2992.96, and the same amount was set aside for a child of Churchill Harvey Elder, as yet unborn.

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